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SIR FREDERICK THORPE MAPPIN, BART., M.P.,

TOWN COLLECTOR OF SHEFFIELD,

AND MY COLLEAGUES ON THE TOWN TRUST,

I MOST RESPECTFULLY DEDICATE

THIS VOLUME.

PREFACE.

THE matter gathered in the following pages is useful material for social history. Many insignificant facts are recorded and there is often a wearisome iteration in the old accounts, but the student of our social life will look beyond the details to the broad lessons they teach. Many of the old Corporate towns of England have been fortunate in the preservation of their local annals. The present volume is an attempt to make accessible the annals of a non-corporate community. In this effort I have been helped by the enlightened liberality of the Town Trustees, who freely placed their records at my disposal.

The month of August, 1897, is the six hundredth anniversary of the granting of Lord Furnival's Charter to his Free Tenants of the town of Sheffield, and there is some appropriateness in making this the occasion of the publication of the records contained in this volume.

For the active duties of local government in Sheffield we now look to the Municipal Corporation, not to the Burgery; and it is a sign of the times, not without its significance and interest, that the present head of the Corporation is his Grace the Duke of Norfolk, the descendant of Lord Furnival, who granted the Charter to the Burgesses in 1297. The old barons Furnival and the great nobles of the family of Talbot exercised a paramount influence in Sheffield in virtue of their feudal position; the Duke of Norfolk is the freely chosen head of the Municipality on the basis of a democratic franchise, and he has won the regard of every citizen. He has, moreover, been elected by the Freeholders one of the Town Trustees, and thus stands in the curious position of being one of his own Free Tenants. A situation that would have seemed anomalous to our predecessors in the 16th

century, appears to us a happy arrangement, and an augury of future good relations between the Lord of the Manor and the city in which his estate is situate. It marks also a drawing together of classes in a common effort for the good of all, which is one of the happiest outcomes of the democratic spirit of the age.

In the elucidation of Furnival's Charter I have had the advantage of the criticisms and suggestions of the Right Rev. Dr. Stubbs, the Bishop of Oxford; of Mr. C. T. Martin, F.S.A., of the Record Office; and of Mr. S. O. Addy, M.A. The latter gentleman has taken the liveliest interest in the work, and has assisted me in many ways. For the transcript of the old book of accounts I am indebted to the care and practised skill of Miss Kate S. Martin, 250, Portsdown road, London, W. For the index I have to thank Mr. Samuel Smith, Chief Librarian at the Sheffield Free Library. To Mr. T. J. Flockton, Surveyor to the Town Trustees, and also to the Twelve Capital Burgesses, I am indebted for the plan of the old town properties which faces the title page. Mr. C. E. Vickers, Law Clerk to the Town Trustees, has rendered me most valuable help.

INTRODUCTION.

SHEFFIELD is the most southerly town in Yorkshire, its municipal and Parliamentary boundaries extending to the borders of Derbyshire. Westward of Sheffield are still to be found wide stretches of heath-clad hills in a state of nature, and on these high grounds the ancient trackways, the camps, and the burial mounds of the earliest inhabitants of our island remain undisturbed. From Mexborough, on the east, to Coombs Moss, on the west, a line of fortifications has strengthened the natural frontier of the Don; and, standing out prominently among these strong places, may be mentioned the "camp" on Wincobank; the remarkable hill fort near Foxhouse, known as Carl's wark, and the great "camp" on the summit of Mam Tor. It was into a district thus occupied and defended that the Romans advanced about the year A.D. 79 or 80. Traces of two Roman castra remain, the one at Templeborough, near Rotherham, the other at Brough, near Castleton, from the latter of which roads may be traced on the one hand to the hot wells at Buxton, and on the other to Melandra Castle, near Glossop, and thence to Manchester, the Roman Mancunium. The Roman road from Templeborough to Brough must have passed through Sheffield. Keeping to the higher ground on the south side of the Don to avoid the marshes, it probably crossed the Sheaf just above the point where that smaller stream joins the Don, and passing thence over Crookes Moor, and by the Long Causey to Redmires, struck the Derwent at Bamford, and so passed to Brough. In this long distance of nearly twenty miles there are no ostensible remains of an intermediate castrum, but the probabilities are strong that at the junction of the Sheaf and Don, where a Norman Castle was afterwards erected, a small Roman castrum was placed. The site, at the junction of two rivers, is just such a one as the Romans would choose, and the natural strength of the position commended it to the military engineers of succeeding occupiers. It was the site of a Saxon Hall and afterwards of a Norman Castle, and remained in occupation until the Parliament ordered the destruction of its fortifications after the civil wars of the 17th century.

In the years 1877 and 1878 some important explorations were carried on within the castrum at Templeborough, when it was clearly shown that the quadrangular rampart of earth, as we now see it, is a post-Roman work; for in the very heart of it were found fragments of Roman pottery and tiles, several of the latter bearing the stamp of the 4th Cohort of the Gauls. The earthen rampart on the south side covered two successive road surfaces, as well as the massive stones forming the base of a colonnade. Sections cut through the rampart showed how the bank had been thrown up, first over Roman work, and, at a later period, over a second road surface. There had clearly been three occupations of this site, if not four. First there was a station built by the 4th Cohort of the Gauls, who probably came into Britain with Agricola in the year 78 A.D., and certainly engaged with him in the Caledonian campaign against Galgacus in 84 A.D. Secondly, there was a station represented by the remains of a columned building that was probably a Pretorium. There was a southern colonnade of heavy proportions, and an eastern colonnade of lighter work. The stone threshold was much worn with the tread of feet, and some stones near the gate were hollowed by the sharpening of knives or weapons. Remains of a hypocaust were found, and abundant evidence of destruction by fire. The third station was raised above the ruins of the Pretorium. Over the remains of columns and column bases a road was made, which led up to a building less massive than the columned Pretorium, but still Roman in feeling though debased in workmanship. This building perished in its turn, and finally over all came the earthen rampart, surmounted probably with a wooden stockade, and embracing in its area all that then lay in ruin on the ground. The military skill that first determined on this site for a defensive work was amply vindicated by the persistence with which the place was adhered to through the successive changes of seven or eight centuries.

We may safely assume for the station at Templeborough an early date, because of the tiles found there bearing the stamp of the 4th Cohort of the Gauls. The coins, too, that were secured during the exploration, though few in number, were important as clues to date. Only thirteen were decypherable, the earliest probably a Claudius, and the latest one of the Constantines. The series is fairly complete from Titus (A.D. 79-81) to Antoninus Pius (A.D. 138-161). Then occurs a gap of rather more than a century, after which we find one coin of the usurper Victorinus, one of Claudius Gothicus, and an uncertain one belonging to one of the Constantine family. From this we may conclude that the

first castrum existed from about A.D. 80 to 160. Then came a century of ruin and desolation, until the time of the thirty tyrants or usurpers, who disturbed the Empire during the reign of Gallienus. We know from many discoveries of coins in Britain that Victorinus, the Tetrici, father and son, and Postumus had much sway in the island, and Carausius was Emperor in Britain A.D. 287-293. To this period we must look for the foundation of the second castrum which stood until after the departure of the legions. The third castrum, with its inferior buildings, continued till the death of King Edwin, A.D. 633. Thus we get an approximate chronology for Templeborough that may be thus expressed :—

First castrum, built by the 4th Cohort of the Gauls, A.D. 80, continued until A.D. 160.

Second castrum, with its columned Pretorium and footworn threshold, A.D. 268 to 443.

Third castrum, raised over the ruins of the colonnade, continuing from A.D. 450 or 500 to 663.

Fourth castrum, the earthwork now covering all the earlier ruins—a relic probably of the times of the Danish invasions and the fierce fightings that occurred in many parts of England down to the reign of Alfred the Great, A.D. 871.

It would be rash to attempt to identify the events that led to the destruction of the first castrum soon after A.D. 160. So far as the investigations of 1877 and 1878 extended no evidence was found of stone walls enclosing the area. The century from A.D. 160 to A.D. 260, for which no coins were found at Templeborough, embraced the reigns of ten or more Roman emperors, and among them Marcus Aurelius, Commodus, Pertinax, Septimius Severus. It is known that under Marcus Aurelius, about the year A.D. 162, a rising of the Britons took place, which was quelled by the Legate Calpurnius Agricola. In A.D. 183 the Caledonians passed the wall and defeated the Romans. In the contest for the Empire between Severus, Niger, and Albinus, Britain adhered to Albinus. Niger was killed in A.D. 194, and Severus obtained the purple. There were insurrections among the Britons in this reign, and the Governor wrote to Severus begging for reinforcements or for the presence of the Emperor. Severus, though an old man and gouty, came over, probably about A.D. 205 or 207, conducted three or four campaigns, and died at York in A.D. 210 or 211. It will thus be seen that the country was in a very disturbed state, a condition of things sufficient to account not only for the destruction of the castrum, but for its lying long in ruins.

As regards the second castrum, with its columned basilica or court of justice, the work is Roman in style, but not of the best workmanship. It was, indeed, just such a building as might be erected about the reign of Gallienus, when Victorinus and the Tetrici were holding usurped power in Britain. How long it continued may be matter of conjecture, but we venture to place its destruction in those fierce fighting days when, it is said, the Britons, under Ambrosius Aurelius, were contending against Hengist and his Saxons, and finally overthrew and beheaded Hengist at Conisborough.[1]

This brings us to the third occupation. When men came again to dwell in Templeborough the ruined Roman colonnade was made the foundation of a wall on its east side. On the south it was buried beneath a road, and the new building arose on the foundation of an old wall, which in the first building stood behind the columns. Again the building became a court of justice abutting on the market place, but it was of a plainer type than its predecessor. We assume it to have been built between the years 500 and 550 A.D. Ina founded the kingdom of Bernicia in 547 A.D.; Ethelfrith created the kingdom of Northumbria 593 A.D. Edwin became King of Northumbria in 617 A.D. These dates indicate long intervals, and there are few historic facts to connect them; but the circumstances around Templeborough sanction the presumption that the third town on that site existed during the century in which the kingdom of Northumbria was being formed. At the end of the sixth century Augustine effected the conversion of Kent, and by the year 627 Paulinus had converted and baptised Edwin, King of Northumbria. Bede describes the baptism of King Edwin on the 12th April, 627, and adds:—

Attamen in Campodono, ubi tunc etiam villa regia erat, fecit basilicam, quam post modum pagani, a quibus Edwinus rex occisus, cum tota eadem villa succenderunt; pro qua reges posteriores fecere sibi villam in regione quæ vocatur Loidis.

The passage may be rendered thus:—

But he built a church in Campodonum, where there was also at that time a royal villa, which afterwards the Pagans, by whom King Edwin was slain, burned, together with all the town; in place of which the later kings built themselves a country seat in a district called Loidis.

Campodonum has been assumed to be Doncaster, but since the discoveries of 1877-1878 Templeborough seems to have the better claim to the position. The initial error of those who sought to localise Bede's Campodonum lay in confusing it with the Roman station called Cambodunum,

[1] In Guest's "Historic Notices of Rotherham" there is a chapter on the Templeborough explorations, and a plan of the buildings then found.

which is named in the second Iter of Antonine between Calcaria (Tadcaster) and Mancunium (Manchester). It was hastily assumed that Campodonum and Cambodunum must be one and the same place, and antiquaries, from Camden downwards, exercised their ingenuity to make Cambodunum fit in with Bede's narrative. The effort was not very successful. Cambodunum had to be looked for on the line of road between Tadcaster and Manchester; Campodonum somewhere on the river Don above Hatfield. Recent researches have fixed Cambodunum beyond dispute at Slack, near Huddersfield. Hunter and other writers agreed in concluding that the Campodonum of Bede, translated Donafelda in the Saxon version, was the modern Doncaster. But it must not be forgotten that Doncaster is well identified with the Roman Danum of the eighth iter; and, moreover, had Bede referred to that place it would have been under the name of *Castrum ad Danum* or *Dono Ceastre*. The name Campodonum does not even imply a fortification, though no doubt a royal villa or country house would be to some extent fortified, even as manor houses were fortified in much later times. Bede's Campodonum, with its basilica and villa, was so completely destroyed by fire that succeeding kings never restored it. Doncaster suffered no such complete destruction. It was a castrum, and that character remains stamped on its name to this day. The Campodonum of Edwin was a country villa, a royal manor house more or less protected, but not walled like a Roman castrum, and when it perished the destruction was complete. The phrase in Bede is "*fecit basilicam*"—he made, not built, a basilica. Constantine gave several basilicæ to be converted into Christian churches, and Edwin probably did the same. The old hall of justice was changed into a temple for Christian worship, and there Paulinus set up his altar of stone. In the early ages of Christianity the name temple was commonly applied to a Christian church, and it was more natural so to use it in the interval between 627 A.D. and 633 A.D. than to call in the Greek word *kuriake* or its vernacular form *cyrice*. There were temples in many Roman stations, but there is not a single instance of "temple" occurring as part of the name of a Roman station save in that of Templeborough, near Rotherham. At Templeborough then we have, in all probability, the long lost site of the second church founded by Paulinus and Edwin, the first Saxon fane in South Yorkshire dedicated to the service of Christ.

The note books of the explorers of 1878 abound in memoranda of the evidences of great violence and of fire. There was a general burning and breaking up. Even the

tiles forming the supporting columns of the hypocaust were smashed as though heavy masses had fallen on them, and the upper surface of the roadways had all been removed. One small silver coin, possibly the emission of some Gallic prince, found during the digging, may be a relic of this Saxon period. On the obverse was a helmeted head and the words VRBS ROMA. On the reverse a she-wolf suckling Romulus and Remus. An almost identical coin is figured on plate 17 of Faucett's "Inventorium Sepulchrale" among remains gathered from the Saxon burial places in Kent.

After the destruction of Edwin's villa there was still another chapter in the history of Templeborough before the site again returned to the uses of peaceful agriculture. History tells how the marauding Danes harried the banks of the Humber and its tributaries from the year 787 A.D. to the reign of King Alfred. They are said to have destroyed a monastery at Done's mouth in 794 A.D.; and in 833 A.D. King Ecgberht being at "burg Konan" or Conisborough, met the Danes and inflicted on them so crushing a defeat that the land had rest.[1] It was during the struggles thus indicated that the quadrangular earthwork we now see at Templeborough was thrown up and the site again fortified. In the popular tongue the name Templeborough was given to the place, thus commemorating the Temple of Paulinus and the borough or fortress of King Edwin's successors.

More than two hundred years elapsed before the Norman invasion changed the aspect of affairs; and in those years the institutions of our Teutonic ancestors became adapted to the circumstances of their English homes. They formed village settlements of kindred families or tribes, selecting spots, well watered, sheltered by woods, and endowed with lands suitable for cultivation as common fields.[2] The little homesteads to which a toft and a croft were attached lay on each side of the village street, and each member of the community held strips of arable land in the common fields, and had in addition a claim to a portion of the meadow land for hay, together with the use of the common pasture for his cattle. Dr. Cunningham says:—

When a holding is spoken of it must not be supposed that each family had an area of contiguous land like a modern farm; each holding would consist of a great many separate portions which lay intermingled with the separate portions of the holdings of other families. It would rather appear that as the land was cleared and broken up by the plough it was dealt out

[1] Peter Langtoft's Chronicle.

[2] Cunningham's "Growth of English Industry and Commerce."—Vol. I., p. 34.

acre by acre to each family in their turn; in this way a holding of 120 acres would consist of 120 separate portions of an acre each, or even of 240 half acres, scattered over an area of 1440 acres, and lying intermingled with the acres allotted to other families.—Cunningham, Vol. I., p. 39.

In its earlier form this system of division was accompanied by a re-allotment of the strips year by year, so that each villager or each family should have an equality of advantages or disadvantages. But the inconveniences of such a change would soon make themselves felt. It afforded no encouragement to good husbandry, discouraged the use of tillage, and brought all down to the level of the most idle and improvident. Among intelligent and progressive people the process of re-allotment would fall into disuse. The holder would become the owner of definite strips, though they would be detached strips, in the common fields; "the custom of annual or even of frequent redistribution will only linger among backward communities."

Professor Ashley, in his "English Economic History and Theory," gives a lifelike picture of such a village community after it had settled down to individual ownership coupled with commonable rights. He says:—

Let us picture to ourselves an eleventh century manor in middle or southern England. There is a village street, and along each side of it the houses of the cultivators of the soil with little yards around them; as yet there are no scattered farm houses such as were to appear later. Stretching away from the village was the arable land divided usually into three great fields sown one with wheat, one with oats or beans, while one was left fallow. The fields were again sub-divided into what were usually called "furlongs," and each furlong into acre or half acre strips, separated not by hedges but by "balks" of unploughed turf; and these strips were distributed among the cultivators in such a way that each man's holding was made up of strips scattered up and down the three fields, and no man held two adjoining pieces. Each individual holder was bound to cultivate his strips in accordance with the rotation of crops observed by his neighbours. Besides the arable fields there were also meadows enclosed for hay harvest, and divided into portions by lot or rotation or custom, and after hay harvest thrown open again for the cattle to pasture upon. In most cases there was also some permanent pasture or wood, into which the cattle were turned either "without stint" or in numbers proportioned to the extent of each man's holding.

Sheffield has grown from exactly such a village as those sketched by the Rev. Dr. Cunningham and Professor Ashley. Between the castle, which stood at the confluence of the Sheaf and Don, and the church, or perhaps the Townhead cross, the whole thing lies mapped out as clearly as it was ten hundred years ago. Before the castle lay the village green, used, as population increased, as the market place and fair ground. From the market place to the church runs the High Street, and the large scale ordnance map, which gives the details of the separate properties, shows the village street

flanked on each side by the houses of the cultivators, with tofts or yards around them and little crofts behind. Even to-day the High Street properties, on the undisturbed side of the street, are long, narrow strips, with curious interlocking boundaries and often troublesome rights of way and of light. Other properties near the centre of the town bear these same characteristics; but away from the old centre, as for example in West Street, Norfolk Street, Sheffield Moor, or any of modern extensions, the appearance of the ordnance survey is changed. The properties become squarer, the boundaries more regular, and the length backward better proportioned to the frontage. The original Sheffield lay between the Castle Hill and the Parish Church, while the three great fields of arable land lay to the north, and the meadow land and the pasturable waste surrounded the town. The crofts still bear the old name, and they are laid out in strips, as old maps indicate.[1] For the meadow land we may look to Alsop fields and Bailey fields, while the pasturable waste lay on Little Sheffield Moor, Shales Moor, Crookes Moor, with, perchance, some extensive but undefined rights in Fullwood and Rivelin chase. This is essentially the ancient village settlement. It was not planned like Roman York, or Lincoln or Leicester. We find in it none of those symmetrical insulæ such as are discovered in the ancient Roman sites of Silchester or Uriconium; not even the systematic planning in rectangular blocks which Edward I. carried out at Winchelsea, when (after the destruction of the old town) he projected a new one on Higham hill. It was the village pure and simple with its one street of cottages and tofts, its arable land, its meadows for hay, and its ample common pastures.

The settlement must have been formed after the withdrawal of the Roman legions, when the country suffered from successive incursions of Teutonic tribes. In the time of Edward the Confessor the valley of the Don was well and comfortably settled, as the testimony of Domesday shows. It is true there were some bleak moorlands on the higher grounds, many large expanses of wood and forest land, and in the valley itself much swampy ground; but there was also excellent land in cultivation for the support of a considerable population.

Yorkshire is one of the counties embraced within the great Domesday—the folio volume of 760 pages condensed from the original returns, and not helped out by any collateral

[1] Old deeds show that much of the land to the north of Campo lane was laid out into plots in the 17th Century, the plots taking the names of the several allotees.

documents. Our information about the Yorkshire manors is thus compressed into the briefest form, though there is happily a recapitulation that throws an occasional ray of light on some obscurities. The entry that more immediately affects Sheffield is as follows, quoting from Mr. Skaife's translation in the Yorkshire Archæological Journal, Vol. 14, p. 42:—

One manor. In Hallun, with 16 berewicks, there are 29 carucates of land for geld. Earl Wallef had a hall there. Twenty ploughs may be there. Roger has this land of Judith, the countess. He has two ploughs there, and 33 villanes, having 12 ploughs and a half. Eight acres of meadow there. Wood pasturable four leugæ in length and four in breadth. The whole manor ten leugæ in length and eight in breadth. T. R. E. it was worth eight marks [106s. 8d.] of silver; now 40s.

Two manors. In Ateclive and Escafeld. Suuen had five carucates of land for geld, where three ploughs may be. This land is said to have been inland in Hallun.

The recapitulation reads "in Ateclive iij car., in Seafeld iij car.;" "ead co." being written over the names of both places—a contraction which means that these two manors, like that of Hallam, were held of "the same countess," that is the Countess Judith, niece of the Conqueror and widow of Earl Waltheof.

This entry is altogether anomalous. Sweyn is given as the Saxon lord of Attercliffe and Sheffield; but for Hallam we are left to infer that Waltheof was lord at the time of King Edward. Again Hallam and its dependencies, though entered at the end of the list of de Busli's lands, were not of them, but were held by him under the Countess Judith.

The Countess Judith, widow of Earl Waltheof, was an extensive landowner, and Mr. Round's discovery of the Leicestershire survey[1] throws a ray of light on a passage in Hunter not hitherto very intelligible. Mr. Hunter records that in the time of King Edward III., by an inquisition taken after the death of Thomas, Lord Furnival, it was found that Furnival's ancestors held the castle and manor of Sheffield of a certain King of Scotland by the service of rendering two white greyhounds yearly. As the pedigrees show, the Countess Judith's daughter Maud married as her second husband David, son of Malcolm III, King of Scotland, who became in right of his wife Earl of Huntington. The Leicestershire survey of 1124-9 shows that in six Hundreds of that county the lands held by the Countess Judith in 1086 were in 1124 described as King David's fee, and the inference is strong that King David also held this countess's lands in Hallamshire, sub-infeudating the Lovetots, who appear without any clear connection as the successors to de Busli.

[1] Round's "Feudal England," p. 196.

Hallam is taxed in Domesday at 29 carucates, yet the Commissioners only estimate it at 20 carucates or plough lands, and state that there are actually two ploughs for Roger and 12½ ploughs for the tenants—14½ in all. The inference from this is that Hallam had suffered under the changes of the Conqueror's reign, and that the old rate of taxation of 29 carucates was too high in 1086. But it further shows that Roger and his under tenants with their 14 ploughs and a half were not doing their best by an estate estimated, even after the devastation, at 20 plough lands. A similar conclusion applies to Attercliffe and Sheffield. There the taxable rate is five carucates, or, according to the re-capitulation, three carucates for Attercliffe and three for Sheffield; yet the Commissioners put it down at only three ploughs, but fail to say whether any ploughs are there. Moreover, the value of Hallam had fallen from eight marks of silver, or 106s. 8d., in King Edward's time, to 40s. in 1086. The money values of Attercliffe and Sheffield are not named, but we read, "This land is said to have been inland in Hallam." Now "inland" means demesne land. The lord's reserve was generally called his thaneland or demesne. Inland is also a term applied to it, but all demesne land was not inland; and Mr. J. F. Morgan, in his valuable little book "England under the Norman occupation," suggests that "inland may have been the several or enclosed part of the demesne; tenants were obliged to 'ware,' that is to guard or fence their lord's inland." In this suggestion there seems to be a clue to lead to an understanding of the Domesday entry as to Attercliffe and Sheffield. Sheffield park lay along with Attercliffe on the south side of the Sheaf and Don. It was a park from the earliest times; a park by prescription, not by grant from the crown; a park for Earl Waltheof as much as for the Barons Furnival. Hence Domesday reports it as "inland."

What is it then that we learn of the three manors of Hallam, Attercliffe, and Sheffield? That their old rate of taxation is too high for their capacities in 1086; but that even the reduced valuation of the Domesday Commissioners is higher than the actual working efficiency of Roger and his under tenants. In this falling off Hallam and its depend-pendencies are not peculiar. Grimeshow (which probably represents Brightside Bierlow) taxed at 3½ carucates, is estimated at two carucates, and as a matter of fact Roger and his tenants have only two ploughs between them. Ecclesfield, taxed at four carucates, is estimated at three carucates, while here again Roger and his tenants have two ploughs. Bradfield is taxed at two carucates, estimated at one, but is actually lying waste. Ugil, Worrall, and Wadsley are taxed

at 14 bovates, that is one carucate and three-fourths; they are estimated at two carucates, but are lying waste. Hunshelf is taxed at three carucates, estimated at two, and lying waste. If, however, we look to places lower down the valley of the Don, where the land is richer and more amenable to agriculture, we find a less discouraging state of things.

Rotherham is taxed at five carucates, estimated at three plough lands, and in fact Nigel Fossard and his tenants have three ploughs and a half, or four oxen, that is half a plough, more than the estimate. Passing further down the river we come to William de Warren's great Lordship of Conisborough, formerly the property of Harold. Here we learn that Earl Harold held five carucates of land for geld, and now William de Warren has five ploughs in the demesne. This is enough to balance the taxable rate, but over and beyond that we read that 21 villanes and 11 borders have 11 ploughs. Whence these eleven? We might ask with the clerk who entered up the Devonshire returns and found 46 ploughs to 25 plough lands "r[equire] car[ucas]" "see about those ploughs."

Attached to Conisborough is a soke of 26 vills taxed at 85 carucates 7 bovates and 15 acres. The return does not give us the Commissioner's estimate of the number of plough lands, but the actual number of ploughs amounts to 92, showing a healthy and prosperous state of things. The manor and soke of Conisborough were worth £18 in King Edward's time; and were worth at the time of the survey £30 with a further £10 for tallage.

Reverting again to the aula of Waltheof, situate in Hallam. We have another example in Domesday of the aula of a Saxon earl. No further from Sheffield than Laughton-en-le-Morthen, or, as Domesday calls it, "Lastone."[1] Lastone was taxed at 18 carucates, and estimated at nine; but Roger had five ploughs and his tenants ten, making six ploughs above the estimate, instead of 5½ below it as was the case in Hallam. Of Lastone Domesday says "Earl Edwin had a hall there," and if any one to-day visits Laughton-en-le-Morthen he will find near the church the massive earthworks on which this hall or aula once stood. The hall or manor house was the head of the manor, the seat of justice and administration. Around this often lay subordinate hamlets, little homes like the 16 berewicks of Hallam, depending upon the head of the manor.

The problem is to find, in what Domesday called "Hallun," the site of a hall corresponding to that which is so readily

[1] A scribe's error for Lactone, as it appears in Hunter's "Charters."

identified at Laughton. In a district still agricultural this would be an easy matter, for nothing is more indestructible than earthworks; but if the site happens to lie in the heart of a growing manufacturing town another method of examination must be resorted to. Previous searchers after Waltheof's hall have scanned the features of the two modern Hallams, Upper and Nether, without any great success, and my contention is that the "Hallun" of Domesday was not coterminous with the Hallam of to-day, but that the Domesday "Hallun" extended up to the rivers Sheaf and Don, that Waltheof's hall stood on the site in Sheffield now known as Castle Hill, and that the Escafeld or Sheffield of Domesday was Sheffield Park and nothing more.

The Hallam described in Domesday was a place reduced in value, but not utterly destroyed; yet Mr. Hunter and others have endeavoured to account for the disappearance of Waltheof's hall by putting forward the theory of a total destruction of the hall and vill of Hallam. But we must not forget that Waltheof paid the penalty of his treason in 1075, eleven years before the survey was made, and so far as the vengeance of "the incensed Norman Conqueror" was an active force it had surely spent itself in eleven years. King William died in 1087. How then can Hallam with its considerable population and its great house, as recorded in Domesday, have been swept away as an act of vengeance to mark Waltheof's treason? We reply that no such complete destruction can have occurred. What devastation was committed happened years before the Domesday survey, as the items in that record show, and besides reducing the value of "Hallun" from eight marks of silver to 40s. it brought Grimeshow from 40s. to 20s., and left Bradfield, Ugil, Worrall, Wadsley, and Hunshelf "waste." There is quite enough here to account for the traditions of devastation referred to by Mr. Hunter, but at the date of the Domesday survey, eleven years after Waltheof's death, "Hallun" still existed, and there is no reason to assume that it was swept away at a later time.

Mr. Hunter, than whom no more cautious enquirer ever put pen to paper, saw clearly enough the difficulties of the total destruction theory; and he also saw with equal plainness that all difficulties would be removed if the site of Waltheof's hall were placed on the Castle Hill at Sheffield. What he failed to do was fully to satisfy himself that this could be done consistently with the Domesday record.

Mr. Addy, our latest writer on the subject, stands somewhat divided in opinion between the claims of Hallam head,

and a site in the Rivelin Valley near Stannington, but he finally concludes, "It is more likely that the hall of Waltheof stood here [that is near Stannington] than at Hallam head."[1] Let us compare this with the available evidence and with reasonable inferences.

In the Domesday record "Hallun" stands alone with its aula and its 16 berewicks, which may mean hamlets or farms in the hands of the lord. In this connection it is worth noting that within the area of this manor of Hallam there is no village, no nucleus or centre if Sheffield be excluded. To this day there is no village of Ecclesall or Hallam. The localities so called are rather districts than places, a circumstance that seems to point to the place we now call Sheffield being the old vill of "Hallun" existing at the date of the Domesday survey. Changes in place names since the time of the Domesday survey are not at all uncommon. Chesterfield figures in Domesday as one of the berewicks of Newbold; Doncaster as one of the sokes of Estorp or Hexthorpe. Scarborough is disguised under the name of Walesgrif, now Falsgrave, and Nordfield; Tickhill is Dadesleia, and the name Dadesley only survives in Dadesley well, near Tickhill.

Mr. J. F. Morgan, whose book on the Norman occupation we have already referred to, says:—

> Scarcely any hundreds can be supposed to retain their ancient names and boundaries. In early times they were liable to constant fluctuations. Secondary townships became the heads of hundreds. . . Lands were taken from one manor or hundred and attached to another. In some counties a number of thanes had power to remove their lands and to change their lords, which may, perhaps, account for the seeming dislocation of the Hundreds in Wiltshire and Dorsetshire.[2]

There is nothing unusual, therefore, in a change between Hallam and Sheffield. The superiority of the name "Sheffield" had fully established itself in 1284, the date of Kirkby's Inquest, when Sheffield, Bradfield, Ecclesfield, and Handesworth were described as three vills, and half Handsworth, held by Thomas de Furnival of the King in capite, by homage, and rendering no other service. In the "Nomina Villarum," compiled 9th Edward II., Thomas de Furnyvall is set down as holding of the King, Ecclesfield, Sheffeld, Handesworth, and Bradefeld, four vills. The name Hallam does not occur in the index of places Two centuries after the Conquest the name "Hallun" for the caput of the manor had been completely superseded by the name Sheffield. Hallam remained in use only as the name of two rural townships within

[1] Addy's "Hall of Waltheof," pp. 194 and 282.

[2] Morgan, "England under the Norman Occupation." p. 176.

the district called Hallamshire. Where the name "Hallun" occurs in Domesday we must understand that the place so referred to became afterwards known as Sheffield.

Mr. Round throws out the highly probable suggestion that the assessment as recorded in Domesday was in the first instance laid upon the hundred itself, and that the subsequent assessment of its vills and manors was arrived at by division and sub-division. The question suggests itself whether the district known as "Hallamshire," whose origin has hitherto been lost in obscurity, was one of a group of taxable hundreds within the Wapentake of Stratford?

	Carucate terræ	
Hallam	29	Sheffield parish.
Attercliffe and Sheffield	5	
Grimesthorpe	3½	
Ecclesfield	4	
Bradfield	2	
Handsworth	4½	
	48 = eight sixes.	

The above are the parishes usually regarded as constituting Hallamshire, and the total taxable carucates, namely, 48 or eight sixes, seem to bear out the theory that they formed the Hundred on which the tax was originally laid. It is not safe, however, to dogmatise without more exhaustive examination. Hallamshire is by no means the only district in Yorkshire distinguished by the name "shire." There are Northallertonshire, Sowerbyshire, Mashamshire, Richmondshire, and perhaps others, and it may be one of the useful works of the future to see how far these districts fit in with the theory that they, like Hallamshire, are very ancient taxable units.[1]

THE SHEFFIELD BURGERY.

In the village community founded before the Norman invasion, and described, as we have seen, by the Norman Commissioners, there arose a system of local government called the Burgery, whose history and records it is the purpose of this volume to trace. The fathers and founders of the town had set apart from the earliest times portions of land for the public service. This public property was administered by the people themselves, acting together as a community, and called a Burgery, but without any formal charter of in-

[1] See Round's "Feudal England," especially where he argues that in the carucated districts the computation was by sixes and twelves, while in the hidated districts the computation was by fives and tens.

corporation. Of the doings of the early days there are no written records, but an important light breaks on the scene in 1297, when the community and its feudal lord are found making a bargain together. This agreement we now call Furnival's charter. It is dated 10th August, 1297, and is the earliest as well as the most important document possessed by the Burgery of Sheffield. It has several times been printed, and many times appealed to in connection with the law suits in which the Burgesses have engaged in defence of their rights and privileges. The copy that appears in the text has been carefully prepared from the original, the letters printed in italics representing those that have been supplied to fill the places of the scribe's contractions. The meaning of the text has been dwelt upon by Hunter and other local historians, but, to understand its full bearing on our local history, we must consider it in relation to similar transactions of about the same period in other communities. Lord Furnival grants to his free tenants of the town of Sheffield and their heirs, in fee farm, that is, at a perpetual farm or rent, all the tofts, lands, and holdings with their appurtenances which they hold of him within the town of Sheffield and outside, so long as his free warren is not hindered or disturbed, on the payment of sixty-eight shillings and ninepence farthing per year, payable half-yearly in lieu of all services and demands, saving only fealty, escheats, and suits of court. He further provides that the court of the said town for his free tenants, shall be held in the town every three weeks by his bailiffs; that the fines shall be assessed by a jury, and that the punishment shall be proportioned to the offence. Further Lord Furnival grants to his said tenants, whether buyers or sellers, freedom from toll throughout all Hallamshire. These privileges he warrants on behalf of himself and his heirs for ever; the parties affix their seals to the charter and its counterpart, and some of the principal people of the neighbourhood witness the transaction.

A contemporary document, lately published, gives us a picture of the lord and his surroundings, and of his principal men and their belongings, which it is pleasant to have. "The Lay Subsidy Roll" of 1297, published by the Yorkshire Archæological Society, includes the assessment for Thomas de Furnival and those of seven of the witnesses to the charter in the very year when the charter was granted.[1] The tax was one-ninth of all personal property save armour, harness, jewels and robes of knights and their wives, and their vessels of gold, silver, and brass. No one was to

[1] Vol. XVI., Record Series of the Yorkshire Archæological Society.

be taxed the value of whose goods did not amount to nine shillings or upwards. This tax was granted in consideration of the confirmation by Edward I. of the great charter and the Forest Charter, and annexed to the confirmation was the famous statute *De tallagio non concedendo*, which established the principle that no tax should be levied without the assent of Parliament. The following are the assessments :—

Thomas de Furnivall, eight oxen, 48s ; the price of an ox, 6s.; two horses, 6s.; eight cows, 40s.; the price of a cow, 5s.; six young oxen, 18s.; the price of a young ox, 3s.; 24 quarters of oats, 24s. Total, £6. 16s. [the tax] 15s. 1½d. Robert de Ekilsale, six oxen, 36s.; one horse, 2s.; four cows, 20s.; three calves, 3s.; one quarter white wheat, 2s. 8d.; twelve quarters of oats, 12s. Total, 75s. 8d. [the tax] 8s. 6d. Thomas de Munteney, four oxen, 24s.; two young oxen, 6s.; one horse, 2s.; three cows, 15s.; two small stirks, 2s.; one quarter white wheat, 2s. 8d.; twelve quarters of oats, 12s. Total, 63s. 8d. [the tax] 7s. 1d. Thomas de Fourneus, two oxen, 12s.; two cows, 10s.; one young ox, 2s.; one quarter white wheat, 2s. 4d.; twelve quarters of oats, 12s. Total, 41s. [the tax] 4s. 7d. Radulphus de Wadesley, one cow, 5s.; one horse, 2s.; one calf, 15d.; item, six quarters of oats, 6s. Total, 14s. 3d. [the tax] 19d.

The total tax for Sheffield was £8. 5s. 1¼d.

Robert of Waddesley is taxed under "Ecclisfeud"[2] at 6s.; Edmund Folyot is taxed under Handesworth at 3s. 2½d.; William de Darnale, also under Handesworth, at 2s. 2d. These figures give us some idea of the very moderate possessions of even the greatest men of the neighbourhood.

Two clauses in Furnival's bargain with his free tenants were not new, but a confirmation, and perhaps a restoration of old usage, namely, the holding of the town court every three weeks and the freedom from toll, each of which is expressly said to be as it was "accustomed" or "wont," "in the time of my ancestors." The commutation of uncertain rents and services for a certain fee farm rent, and possibly also the assessment of the fines by a jury, are the advantages newly gained.

Referring to the money value named in such Charters as the one we are considering, the Russian Professor Vinogradoff remarks :—

Where there has been commutation we must suppose that the labour services cannot have been more valuable than the money rent into which they were changed. The free rent into which labour becomes converted is nothing but the price paid for the services surrendered by the lord. It must have stood higher if anything than the real value of labour exchanged, because the exchange entailed a diminution of power besides the giving up of an economic commodity. No matter that ultimately the quit rents turned out to the disadvantage of the lord, inasmuch as the buying strength of money grew less and less. This was the result of a very long process, and could not be foreseen at the time when the commutation equivalents were settled.[1]

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[1] Vinogradoff's "Villainage," p. 311. [2] Ecclesfield.

The time when this charter was granted was one in which many communities were buying exemption from, or otherwise commuting, personal services. Though dated in the latter years of Edward I., the charter, in form, bears a close analogy to those of the reigns of John or Henry III. The writing also, though neat in appearance, is not equal to earlier examples, and there are solecisms in the text characteristic of the Latin of the day. Sheffield was rather behind than in advance of the times in securing the advantages conferred by the charter, and the phraseology of the document is modelled on early forms. Madox, in his "Firma Burgi," p. 42, section 12, points out that in the ages next after the Norman Conquest charters or grants of possessions or franchises made to cities or towns were usually made to the townsmen, *habendum* to them and their heirs, of the King and his heirs. "To limit," he says, "a thing to a man and to his heirs, or to several men and their heirs, was in those ages the most usual form of granting in perpetuity. . . . In the ages next following charters were commonly made to hold to them and their heirs and successors." In a later passage (page 45) the same author remarks that grants made to towns or aggregate bodies of men not corporated were usually made to them and their heirs, and such was the case with the free tenants of Sheffield.

It has occurred as a difficulty to some, that, as Lord Furnival was dealing with a body of tenants not corporated, the seal of each individual free tenant would be needed to the chirograph, to which it is said the seals of the parties are alternately affixed. No such difficulty really existed, as will be seen on reference to the high authority of Madox, and to the not less important testimony of Bishop Stubbs in his "Select Charters." Madox shows that a town not corporated might be treated as a community having perpetual succession, as well as a corporate town;[1] while Bishop Stubbs remarks that the charters of Richard and John "seem to recognise in the borough a modified corporate character but little short of the later idea of incorporation."[2] Besides examples of towns on the Royal demesne Madox cites several instances of non-corporate towns and even of counties receiving grants from their superior lords. For example, William de Brewosa, Lord of Gowerland, granted by charter to the Abbots, Priors, Hospitalers, Templars, Knights, Frank tenants and their tenants inhabiting or holding lands within the precinct of the English county of Gower divers liberties to have and to hold *to them and their successors or*

[1] Madox, "Firma Burgi," p. 37. [2] Stubbs, "Select Charters," p. 42.

their heirs and assigns for ever. In the twenty-sixth year of Henry III. Baldwin de Rivers, Earl of Devon, granted his borough of Plympton to his burgesses there to hold *to them and their heirs of him and his heirs for ever.*[1]

Lord Furnival's charter shows a recognition of the free tenants of Sheffield in what Bishop Stubbs calls "a modified corporate character," and hence there is no need to assume incorporation to get over an imaginary difficulty. Indeed the learned work of Madox proves that towns not corporated might enjoy the same legal privileges as those that had been incorporated. In chapter iii., page 54, Madox says, "Towns not corporated might and did hold their town at ferm in like manner as corporate towns were (by the King's favour) wont to hold." Among other examples he quotes Mansfield, in Nottinghamshire. Again he shows that towns not corporated were usually charged and sued *pro Rege* in the same manner as towns corporate. For example, proceedings were taken against the constable and villate of Wakefield. In the 6th Edward III. the townsmen of Edwinstowe were cited to appear and show cause in the Exchequer. In another place Madox asserts that "aggregate bodies or communities of men which were not corporated were commonly fined or amerced, charged or prosecuted *ad instantiam Regis* in like manner as if they had been embodied by charter."[2] For example, in the reign of King John there are proceedings against the freemen of the Archbishop of York dwelling without Ripon; also proceedings against Robert Garnoise, Eustace le Parker, and the rest of the men of Laxfield. In the 13th Henry III. the knights, thanes, and free tenants in the King's forest of the Honour of Lancaster are cited.

Such being the position of non-corporate towns in the eye of the law, there is no difficulty in understanding the bargain of the free tenants or burgesses of Sheffield with Lord Furnival, nor their subsequent action as the responsible governing body of the town in maintaining suits in the courts of law at the expense of the Burgery.

Sheffield was late in securing the recognition of her position, for some towns, even as early as the Conquest, had attained a status apart from the body of the counties to which they locally belonged. "The next step," after their recognition as separate communities, says Bishop Stubbs, "taken in the direction of emancipation was the purchase by the tenants of the *firma burgi*, that is the ferm of the dues payable to the lord or the King, within the borough. In-

[1] Madox, "Firma Burgi," p. 37. [2] Madox, "Firma Burgi," p. 85.

stead of being collected severally by the reeve or the sheriff, they were compounded for by a fixed sum which was paid by the burghers and re-apportioned amongst themselves. The grant of the ferm was accompanied by or implied an act of emancipation from villein services, and the recipients of the grant were the burghers as members of the leet or of the guild, or in both capacities. The burgage rent was apportioned among the houses or tenements of the burghers, who thus became tenants in burgage, and on an equality with tenants in free and common socage. The possessors of these burgages were, until a further organisation was provided, the political constituents of the borough."[1]

Madox also remarks that "When a town was put to fee ferm the tenure of it was burgage. As well particular burgage tenements lying in the town, as also the town itself was said to be so holden."[2] Applying these facts to the case of Sheffield we see how the free tenants there became, and long continued to be, the governing body of the town, acting as a legally recognised community with perpetual succession, though not under a charter of incorporation. Like many other ancient landowners, whose titles dated from before the Conquest, the free tenants of Sheffield continued in possession of their lands after the Conqueror came, but complied with the legal system then introduced of acknowledging an over lord. Thus they figure in Furnival's charter as holding lands of Lord Furnival which their predecessors had held in free possession.

In the year 1498 we find a most instructive recognition of the Burgery as a known public body. One William Hyne leaves by deed certain property in Sheffield to the vicar and other trustees in trust to receive the rents and pay for certain obits, masses, and other services in the Parish Church of Sheffield; but he further provides "that if the above mentioned limitations should not be truly performed then the feoffees should stand and be enfeoffed of the said premises to the use of the freeholders of Sheffield *called the Burgesses*, and should suffer the said burgesses to take the profits of the said premises and dispose thereof in mending of bridges, causeys, and highways most defective and within one mile of Sheffield, and in other deeds of charity as they should think most meritorious for the health of the founder."[3]

It is clear from this that in 1498 the Burgesses were a well recognised public body, and the terms of the bequest to them,

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[1] Stubbs, "Select Charters," p. 41. [2] Madox, "Firma Burgi," p. 21.

[3] Gatty's "Hunter's Hallamshire," p. 245.

failing the masses in church, are almost in the words used many years afterwards in the Decree of Charitable Uses of 1681 for repairing the bridge, the causeways, and highways, and other charitable and public uses within the said town of Sheffield.[1]

In the 16th century we see more of the Burgery, and that not because they were making history, but because great changes were going on around them in which they were called to bear a part. The old public property of the town, together with some later benefactions for the support of lights in the church and prayers for the dead, was yielding an income in the latter part of the reign of Henry VIII. of £27 a year. In the reign of Edward VI. part of this income was seized under an Act for the suppression of colleges and chantreys; in the reign of Queen Mary it was restored to the town, but from that time the management became divided between what we may call the old Burgery and a newly created corporate body called the Twelve Capital Burgesses and Commonalty of the Town and Parish of Sheffield. It was unfortunate that the property set apart from the earliest times for public uses, and that left in after years for pious uses, had been, as it were, thrown into a common fund, for that arrangement enabled the Commissioners of King Edward to claim for the Crown £17. 9s. 4d. out of a total income of £27. All through King Edward's reign the sum of £17. 9s. 4d. was paid to the receiver of the King's revenue at York, and Sheffield was left with the scanty income of £9. 10s. 8d. to meet all its public duties. The details of this transaction may be found expressed under the quaint language of the petition to Queen Mary in the first year of her reign, addressed by Robert Swyft and William Taylor, of the parish of Sheffield, "for and in the names of all other the inhabitants of the said parish." The petitioners affirm that they and others are lawfully seized in their demaine as of fee, of certain lands, tenements, and burgages in the town of Sheffield of the yearly value of £27, and also of one messuage with appurtenances called the George, in Old Change, London—

Which were given and assigned by divers persons of long time past to and for the reparation and amendment of several bridges and ways within the said parish of Sheffield, and to the reparation of the church there, and to the relief of the most needy and indigent persons inhabiting the said parish.

[1] In the certificates of the Commissioners under the Act of 1st Edward VI. the land from which the stipends of the three priests were drawn, and also that which paid for a lamp in the church are said to be "in the occupacion" or "in the tenure and occupacion of the Burgesses of Sheffield."

According to the petition, the issues and profits of these properties were received by the church graves and yearly converted to the uses above mentioned until about the year 1539 or 1540. At that date, owing to the size of the parish with its fourteen hamlets,[1] which for the most part are never void of plagues and other evil diseases, the inhabitants were enforced and constrained to impart and yearly bestow some portion of the revenues for the finding of three priests within the said church to assist the vicar there, as well in the visitation of the sick as in the ministration of divine service. This arrangement continued until the making of the statute for the dissolution of colleges and chantries in the first year of Edward VI. When the Commissioners under this statute came to make inquiries in Sheffield they found that £17 in one year had been bestowed among the three priests, besides 9s. 4d. for an obit, and the inhabitants were compelled to certify to the said Commissioners the yearly rent of £17. 9s. 4d., and have since paid the same to her Majesty's receiver of revenue in the county of York. The petitioners, after referring to some proceedings instituted against them in the Court of Augmentations, proceed to argue that as the premises "were not given to the finding of any priest or priests to have continuance for ever" the same were not within compass of the statute, "so that your Grace is not justly entitled to such rent as was employed in form above said to the finding of the same priests." Seeing that the vicar is not able without assistance to serve the cure and minister the sacraments, and that the Queen gets no profit from the rent because the same is paid forth again as pensions to the three priests "now going abroad at their liberty," the petitioners ask that the rent may be restored to them to be employed as heretofore, and the petitioners will relieve her Highness of the pensions.

Mr. Addy calls this a "fictitious claim,"[2] contrived by lawyers to make it appear that the lands did not properly come within the scope of the statute. It was, indeed, part of the truth, but not the whole truth. The petition concealed the fact that among the lands administered by the church graves were some that had been distinctly left for masses and other superstitious purposes, and fixed attention only on the old public lands which were set apart for the repair of bridges and roads, for the repair of the church and for the relief of the poor—lands which could on no pretence be claimed by the Crown under the statute.[3]

[1] Domesday speaks of 16 berewicks. [2] Addy's Hall of Waltheof, p. 132.

[3] How the George in Old Change, London, became part of the estate of the Capital Burgesses may be gathered from a deed noted by Hunter (Gatty's edition), p. 245.

The result of this petition, backed, as it no doubt was, by the powerful support of Francis, Earl of Shrewsbury, was the grant of a royal charter, dated the 8th June, 1554. The charter begins with a recital of the estates, and it is worth noting that most of the properties there enumerated are still in the hands of the Capital Burgesses. There have been many exchanges and some sales; the toft and diverse meadows and pastures at Aughton have been lost, but in the main the property remains what it was in 1554, save that it has greatly augmented in value. In substance the request of petitioners was granted, and the burgesses of the town and parish of Sheffield were incorporated by the name of the Twelve Capital Burgesses and Commonalty of the Town and Parish of Sheffield, in the county of York, and made for ever one body corporate and politic, with a perpetual succession and a common seal. It is curious to note that both the petitioners and the court had entirely lost sight of the real origin of the larger part of the lands, and thought of them only as having been left by private benefactors for the uses set forth in the petition and in the letters patent.

That they were lands appropriated from the earliest times to public uses, is a conclusion strongly borne out by a reference to the plans of the estate.[1] In the last century Mr. William Fairbank, surveyor, prepared careful plans of the town lands, whether in the hands of the Capital Burgesses or of the Town Burgesses, and these support the idea that the pieces of land were originally strips in the common fields. Many of them lie where those common fields are known to have been. In the part of the crofts now undergoing great changes as an insanitary area, there lie side by side, with curiously irregular boundaries, town land and burgess land, and land belonging to the Duke of Norfolk, who in this matter represents Earl Waltheof, the Countess Judith, and Roger de Busli. At the bottom of Townhead Street may be seen narrow strips of property marked Earl of Surrey, Town Trust, Church Burgess; the Earl of Surrey being, of course, the eleventh Duke of Norfolk, who, between 1777 and his father's death in 1786, was lord of Hallamshire, under the title of Earl of Surrey. In all parts of the district known as the Crofts may be seen in detached fragments the lands of these three owners. We find them again in Waingate, Water Lane, the Isle, and Under the Water. They appear at Barker Pool and Balm

[1] See lithographed plan facing title page.

Green, in High Street and Fargate, in Pinfold Lane, in the Bull Stake, now called the Haymarket, and in Pudding Lane, now dignified by the name of King Street.

But the most remarkable example of the holding in strips is shown by the Capital Burgess lands in Attercliffe and Darnall. The Charity report of 1829 enumerates the property of the Burgesses in those townships as 65 acres 2 roods 22 perches, but this amount is made up of detached strips of acres or half acres. In one instance appears a holding of one acre, so long and so narrow that it was only nine yards wide. It is described as "Two lands at the top of Dean field in a part called the new piece." On one side lay the land of Mr. T. Staniforth, on the other that of the Duke of Norfolk, and it is not surprising that an exchange has been effected with Mr. Staniforth. Indeed the policy of the Capital Burgesses and of the Town Trustees has been for many years to straighten boundaries and consolidate holdings by exchange, so that the present contours of the estates are much less irregular than those of 1768, when Mr. Fairbank's survey was made.

The story of these old properties will not be complete unless we shortly revert to the state of things as they stood when the Commissioners of King Edward VI. had appropriated £17. 9s. 4d. out of the town's income of £27. A sum of £9. 10s. 8d. was apparently left to the Burgery, and, they, doubtless, continued to administer it in the old way. The Crown had carried off the lion's share, leaving but a few pickings to the Burgery, and this is well seen on comparing the ample estate of the Capital Burgesses with the more modest one of the Town Trustees. The Burgery accounts commence with the year 1565, when the rental is found to be £7. 11s. 4d., or £1. 19s. 4d. less than was left after the Royal seizure under Edward VI. At present that difference is not explained. The times were changeful, and there may have been some irregularity or perchance a fall in the value. The earliest rental is headed

The perfytte rentall made the xx daye of October, anno dni 1565, appertaining to the burgery of Sheffielde due on the feast of the natyvyte of our Lord and mydsomr by even porcyons unto the sayde Burgesses, and to the use of all the said towne to be ymployed at the dyscreacyon of the sayde Burgesses as hereafter shall ensu.

Note the ample discretion claimed for the employment of the income. It was "for the use of all the said town, to be employed at the discretion of the Burgesses." This is not the place to challenge the wisdom of our ancestors. They, doubtless, acted as they thought for the best in securing

Queen Mary's charter and thus perpetuating the severance of the town estates. The charter which incorporated the Twelve Capital Burgesses and Commonalty described them as a body "corporate and politic," thus in effect incorporating the town of Sheffield, but no provision was made for the active co-operation of the commonalty, and as a matter of fact they have all along been ignored. The Capital Burgesses were made self-elective, an unfortunate provision as constrasted with the more open and liberal constitution of the Burgery.

The Burgesses seem to have continued to manage their affairs in the old way, notwithstanding the break occasioned by the confiscation of so large a portion of the property under King Edward and its conditional restoration under Queen Mary. They collect their rents, hold their annual meeting, submit their accounts to a public meeting of the freeholders, and afterwards eat their modest dinner. Yearly they entrust the executive office to a "Collector," under which modest title is concealed one who might have been more fitly called a Headborough or Mayor.[1]

We will now turn to the consideration of some of the points to be learned from an examination of the accounts of the Burgery which occupy so large a proportion of the pages of this volume.

With the small annual income of £7. 7s. the Burgesses were able to do many useful things. They repaired the bridges over the Don and Sheaf, and contributed towards the repair of the highways, maintained one or more pipers or waites, provided and kept in order the town armour, discharged the Queen's taxes, and maintained some modest hospitalities. In the ten years from 1565 to 1574 £15. 1s. 4d. was spent on the bridges and highways, £6. 12s. on the waits, £7. 13s. 1d. on taxes. In 1574, with an income of £7. 15s 8d., the sum of 15s. 6d. was paid for the coats of two pipers or waits; and in 1588, though the rental yielded but £5. 5s. 8d., one piper with a coat lined and faced with silk and adorned with buttons cost £1. 2s. 9d. Items for this service occur yearly. In 1692 three new cloaks for the waits cost £7. 9s. 11d. There was also an entry of £3 for the year's wages, and a payment of 3s. for their performance at the Burgesses' dinner. Entries of this kind occur all through the accounts until 1806, when it was resolved to discontinue the waits.

[1] As regards the name "Collector" it is worth noting that overseers are thus called in 27 Henry VIII., c. 25; in 5 & 6 Edward VI., c. 2, and in 5 Elizabeth, c. 3. In the 43 Elizabeth the name "overseer" is given.

Pipers or waits combined the functions of town musicians with that of town watchmen. They were a recognised institution in most towns. We find them mentioned in Westminster, where, as in Sheffield, they were under the government of the Burgesses. We meet with them in the old accounts of Beverley, Manchester, Northampton, Norwich, Bristol, and York; and many other examples might be cited. The Manchester Court Leet records, recently printed by the Corporation of Manchester, show that the waits of that town were appointed by the Court Leet, but they seem to have been dependent for support on the donations of the public. The earliest mention of the public waits in Manchester is in 1563, when Richard Kirshaw and Randall Legh were authorised to "exercise the office of common wait in the town of Manchester, and so to continue from time to time doing his duty, and using himself honestly as an honest man ought to do, or else another to be put in his room, and to gather their wages by the help of the constables or their deputies."[1] In 1567 Legh is joined with Richard Wirrall in the office of wait, "if they from time to time do their duties in playing morning and evening together according as others have been heretofore accustomed to do."[2] In April, 1569, Randall Legh is made sole wait, "with one other to serve with him of his own servants upon a condition that the town be well served." In April, 1577, an appeal is made to the public for the more liberal support of the waits in these terms:—

The jury doth request that all those who have withdrawn their good wills or such stipend money as they have been accustomed to give the waites, that they would the rather at our request extend their good wills to further their stipend and not to hinder it.

During the years following the Manchester waits seem to have suffered severely from the competition of outsiders, though the Court Leet extended to them the best protection in its power. In October, 1600, a pain is laid of 2s. against every one hindering the waits with other music; and as it had been ordered that no other minstrels should play at weddings but the waits of the town, it is now added that no inhabitant shall suffer any other minstrel to play at his house at wedding dinners, but only the waits under a penalty of 3s. 4d. In 1603 the following order is made:—

The jury doth order that in regard the waits of this town have lately received a man skilful in music into their society and company, and also that they have been secluded by foreign and other musicians at wedding dinners in this town from the favourable and friendly contribution which

[1] Manchester Court Leet Records, Vol. I., p. 83.

[2] Manchester Court Leet Records, Vol. I., p. 115.

the inhabitants of this town, their loving friends, would willingly and liberally have imparted and bestowed upon them, in remedy whereof this jury doth now order that the said waits shall hereafter be received to play music at all and every wedding dinner in this town as aforesaid, and the foreign musicians and all others be henceforth rejected, and that no innkeeper or alehouse keeper do admit any in contempt hereof sub. pena to every such innkeeper and alehouse keeper so offending 3s. 4d.[1]

In October, 1606, there are further complaints of intruding minstrels, and the constables are instructed to put in force against such intruders the Act of Parliament for the punishment of rogues, vagabonds, and sturdy beggars.[2] At a little later date we come across indications of the use of the waits as night watchmen. At the Court held 5th October, 1620, an entry occurs which seems to show that the waits had not taken care in the winter season to walk and go abroad at night as they ought to have done, "whereby they might discover many dangers and misdemeanours which may happen to fall out in the night."

This jury doth further order that they shall not henceforth be reputed as waits of this town, and not expect any pay or wages of any the burgesses or inhabitants within the town of Manchester.[3]

In 1647 the duty of watching the town is still uppermost in the minds of the Manchester Court Leet Jury, and their order reads thus:—

This jury doth order that whereas there hath been formerly allowed certain number of waits to go through the town in the dead time of the night whereby hath been prevented many dangers not only of night walkers and robberies, but also great danger of fire discovered and prevented, and other general benefits accruing thereby to many hereafter. It is ordered that Henry Reignolds, Alexander Williamson, with some others assistants as waits aforesaid, shall, according to former custom, serve this town for their pains to ask and receive once every quarter the gifts and allowance of every inhabitant.[4]

In October, 1669, the waits are enjoined, "according to ancient custom," to "play through the town every Thursday in the evening."[5] In April, 1672, there is a complaint that this order has been neglected, whereupon

We this present jury do order the said waites to perform the aforesaid order, which if they shall refuse to do, it is the desire of this jury that they may not be henceforward encouraged as formerly by the town.[6]

These references to the waits of Manchester will enable us the better to understand the duties and position of the Shef-

[1] Manchester Court Leet Records, Vol. II., p. 196.
[2] Manchester Court Leet Records, Vol. II., p. 223.
[3] Manchester Court Leet Records, Vol. III., p. 32.
[4] Manchester Court Leet Records, Vol. IV., p. 8.
[5] Manchester Court Leet Records, Vol. V., p. 99.
[6] Manchester Court Leet Records, Vol. V., p. 166.

field waits; but in Sheffield, thanks to the Burgery funds, the waits enjoyed a salary and clothing from the Burgery, and were appointed not by the Court Leet, but by the Burgesses, who paid them. In Sheffield the old designation "wait" gave place in 1701 to that of "musishoners" or "mewsisioners."

Beckman, in his "History of Inventions," Vol. III., p. 409, of the London edition of 1817, says:—

> In most, if not in all [German] cities, the town piper, or, as we say at present, town musician, was appointed steeple watchman, and lodgings were assigned to him in the steeple; but in the course of time, as these were too high and too inconvenient, a house was given him near the church, and he was allowed to send one of his servants or domestics to keep watch in his stead.

Beckman further adds that the waits, when crying the hour, used the form, "Hear, my masters, and let me tell you," &c. This, he says, was a very old formula, and adds, "'Our masters' is still the usual appellation given to magistrates in old cities, particularly in the Empire and in Switzerland." The term "our masters" reminds me of a story, still told occasionally among old Sheffield people, of a Town Collector, who, once upon a time, was found drunk and helpless in the streets, and was taken by the constables to the lock up. The head constable's attention happened to be called to the prisoner, and, recognising him, he turned to the officers, exclaiming, "You fools! Why, you've gotten t' town mester! Take him home! Take him home!"

Waits lingered on through the 18th century in a state of more or less picturesque decay, as may be gathered by references to them in the literature of the period. No. 222 of *The Tatler*, dated the 9th September, 1710, refers playfully to complaints from young ladies at Nottingham, who say their sleep is disturbed by these wandering players on violins and bass-viols between twelve and four in the morning; and *The Tatler* adds, "I have been importuned to publish some edict against those midnight alarms, which, under the name of serenades, do greatly annoy many well-disposed persons, not only in the place above mentioned [Nottingham], but also in most of the polite towns of this island." If this sentence is to be taken literally town waits were general in England in the early years of the 18th century; but *The Tatler* gives an enlarged scope to their duties when he adds, "As the custom prevails at present, there is scarce a young man of any fashion in a corporation who does not make love with the town music." Need we add that the Sheffield Burgery accounts give no countenance to this accusation. There are various references to their playing at the dinners of the

Town Trustees, and on occasions of public entertainment or rejoicing. In May, 1687, there is a memorandum of agreement between the waits and the Burgesses as to their cloaks and badges, and again on the 29th October, 1703, three men named "are allowed by the Townes Burgesses to be the musitioners of this towne soe long as they doe their office as they ought to doe;" and the men on their part "acknowledge that the cloakes, musicall instruments, and silver badges doe belong to the Townes Burgesses, and that if it happen that wee or any of us doe leave the business we hereby promise to deliver to the towne collector the cloakes, instruments, and badges."[1] In 1755 it is recorded that one Cordee "was discharged from the office of one of the Town's waits for misbehaviour."[2]

The name piper implies that the instrument played on was originally the pipe or bagpipes, not necessarily the bagpipes of Scotland, but an instrument more nearly allied to the small pipes of Northumbria, in which the supply of wind is provided by means of bellows and not by the breath of the piper.[3]

Joseph Hunter remarks, in one of his manuscripts preserved in the British Museum, "At Sheffield, when I was a boy, they [the town waits] went from house to house at Christmas, when they played for an hour or so and received gratuities." Long after the town waits were given up the Christmas singers were known as waits, and might be heard singing from house to house early on Christmas morning. These old customs are fast dying out among us.

A very interesting feature in these accounts is the record they preserve of the raising and equipment of soldiers to assist in suppressing the Northern Rebellion in the year 1569. It was the duty of the men of Sheffield, as of every other town and parish in the land, to keep ready for use arms and armour for the defence of the country; but when the partisans of Mary Stuart and of the old religion rushed to arms in November, 1569, and raised a rebellion that at first looked formidable, an effort was necessary beyond that of ordinary times. The whole country was called upon, and Sheffield took its part with the rest. What we see in these accounts of the setting forth and equipping of four township men in November, of twelve soldiers lying at Doncaster in the same month, of the two soldiers that should have gone in February, and of the blue coat men in April, is a picture in

[1] See pp. 238 and 285. [2] See p. 379.

[3] Bruce's introduction to "Northumbrian Minstrelsy," p. v. Rowbotham's "Troubadours."

miniature of what all England was then doing for the defence of her Queen and the liberties of her people. In 1569 and 1570 there were two special lays or levies on the town, and it will be seen, from the accounts, who contributed and how much per head (pages 300-303.) The first lay yielded £7. 9s., and the second, which was half the rate of the first, £3. 11s. 10d. During the stress of this impost payments for the highways and bridges were suspended, and £12. 1s. 3d. was taken from the town chest for the service of the war. The accounts will be most easily understood by the following summary :[1]—

EXPENDITURE.	£.	s.	d.
Charge of four township men	9	5	6
Charge of twelve soldiers at Doncaster	10	14	3½
Charge of two soldiers in February	4	16	9
Charge of the blue coats in April	2	9	11
Total	27	6	5½

INCOME.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
The first lay on the town	7	9	0			
The second lay on the town	3	11	10			
The balance in hand November, 1569	6	6	1			
The one year's rent, 1569	5	15	2			
Received from the constables, Christmas, 1568 ...	1	9	8			
Sundries	0	4	4			
				24	16	1
Debit balance				2	10	4½

Among those on whom the assessment was laid are some whose names figure among the tenants of the Burgery in 1565 (pages 13 to 15), and some whose names are on the list of those who pay the lord's chief rents of 1566 (pages 298-9.) The total number assessed was 155, while the tenants of the Burgery were 56, and the payers of the lord's chief rent 60. Nine names appear in all three lists; nineteen occur in the assessment and in the rental of 1565; four occur in the rental and in the lord's rent; twenty-three in the assessment and in the lord's rent.

A problem not easy to solve is the explanation of the entry on page 298, called "My lord's rents for the [fee firm] of the Burgery;" and again, "Feodarium firme ville de Sheffeld." The amount of these rents in 1566 was 57s. 1½d., of which sum 55s. 2½d. was paid "to my Lordes ferme greve of Hallam yearly as hath bene accostomed tyme out of mynde of man," as appears in the lord's rentals of the fifth year of King Henry VIII. The small balance left, namely, 1s. 11d., was given to the gatherer of the rent.

[1] For details see pages 300 to 307.

The difficulty is to reconcile the amount of this fee ferm rent with the fee ferm rent of £3. 8s. 9¼d. reserved under Furnival's charter. Mr. Samuel Mitchell, in his "Essay on the History of the Burgery of Sheffield," published in 1828, conjectures that the difference, namely, 13s. 6¾d., had been remitted to the inhabitants by some chief of the house of Furnival or Talbot, by a charter, which, if it ever existed, has been lost or destroyed. There is no evidence in support of this suggestion. In Harrison's survey of the manor of Sheffield made in 1637, the first payment from the soake of Sheffield is "The Burges of Sheffield, £2 15s. 2½d." These rents were collected and paid to the Lord of the Manor up to about the year 1680, but, owing to the fall in the value of money, the collection of such small sums grew more and more burdensome, and the amount was thenceforward paid out of the revenues of the Burgery. On the 22nd August, 1757, occurs this entry, "Paid Mr. Smilter a year's rent due to the Duke of Norfolk for the town's wastes and premises comprised in Furnival's grant, £2. 15s. 2½d."[1] The payment was, of course, a fact, but the addendum about Furnival's grant was a conjecture, or, perhaps we might say, a tradition. In October, 1784, the Burgesses resolved to purchase the fee ferm rents, quit rents, and chief rents issuing out of the town estates payable to the Earl of Surrey, who afterwards became eleventh Duke of Norfolk.[2] The Earl of Surrey had obtained an Act of Parliament empowering him to dispose of all his due and unimprovable rents at Sheffield, and to apply the proceeds in the construction of markets. Many others besides the Burgery availed themselves of the opportunity of commuting small annual payments for a capital sum, and an important step was thus taken in the emancipation of the town.

An entry constantly recurring in the accounts from 1567 onwards records a payment every year for the dinner of the twelve men or jury of the Sembly Quest, and for writing their verdict and pains. It may seem strange at first sight that the Burgesses should pay any portion of the expenses attendant on the sittings of a manorial court, but that feeling of surprise will pass away when we see more of the composition and work of these courts or inquests. We have remarked in Furnival's charter how the lord of the manor undertook to hold his courts every three weeks. These continued to be held; but there were also other courts

[1] See page 383. The entry occurs near the top of folio 152 in the original accounts. A similar entry for two years' rent occurs on folio 148.

[2] See page 393.

held twice every year, on Easter Tuesday and at Michaelmas. The chief sitting was at Easter. The heading of the record for one of these Easter sessions held in the year 1718 reads thus:—

Estreats of fines and amerciaments at the Court Leet, Grand Court Baron, and Court of the Honour of Assembly Inquest held," &c.

These words seem to indicate three separate courts, and from the duties discharged it would appear that while the Great Court Baron was a court of the lord of the manor, the Court Leet and Court of the Honour of Assembly Inquest were the Courts of the people—a survival of the old village assembly. Mr. Earwaker, in his introduction to the Court Leet Records of Manchester, says:—

The Court Leet is one of the oldest courts in the kingdom, being based on the Sheriff's Turn or Circuit, a court dating from the time of the Saxons, and so called from the sheriff going on circuit throughout the county he represented. . . . In some cases, it is not improbable that the Courts Leet represented the older Hundred Courts, the area of their jurisdiction being reduced from the whole Hundred to some large manor within that Hundred. In other cases the right of holding a Court Leet was sometimes granted by the Crown to the lord of an important and extensive manor, whereby justice was brought home to the people residing within that manor, and the lord of the manor not only gained in prestige and authority, but also profited pecuniarily by the fees and fines of the court. In the process of time, however, the criminal jurisdiction of these courts became very greatly limited, but they continued to exist down to modern times as essentially local courts, their jurisdiction being confined to the appointment of officers to look after the wellbeing of the locality, and to regulate such matters as now, speaking generally, are supervised by the municipal authorities, local boards, and sanitary authorities of modern times.[1]

Doubtless in the 16th century these courts had fallen very much under the influence and control of the lord of the manor, but the popular forms were maintained, and, in appearance at least, the community governed itself. Grenville Sharpe, as quoted by Toulmin Smith, says:—

Every act of injustice or vice whatsoever, and even mere immoralities, are within the cognisance of the Courts Leet, which are competent in themselves to find a remedy for every inconvenience without searching for Acts of Parliament.[2]

The business of the Great Court Baron was to register surrenders and admissions to the copyhold tenancies, and to receive fines and rents due to the lord. These were matters between the lord and his tenants, and had it been for the service of these courts that the Burgery paid a yearly contribution, a feeling of surprise would have been justified. But there was something more than this. Among the old records preserved in the Duke of Norfolk's estate office at Sheffield

[1] Manchester Court Leet Records, Vol. I., p. ix.

[2] Toulmin Smith's "Parish," p. 369.

are a number of court rolls commencing in the eleventh year of Henry VII., and continuing down to the latter half of the 18th century. Some of these documents record surrenders and admissions to properties such as are referred to above; but others are lists of those amercements and "paynes" laid by the jury for whose dinners the Burgesses paid, and whose verdict they were so careful to have written.[1] They throw a flood of light on the condition of the town and on its method of government. While the Burgery or free tenants were a kind of local aristocracy representing the town in its relations with the Government of the Queen and with the authorities of the county, the Sembly Quest, or "Court of the Honour of Assembly Inquest," concerned itself with the minutest details of local government, enacted bye laws which it called "paynes," and fined offenders against these bye laws, or against the statutes of the realm. It was the duty of Courts Leet regularly and periodically to inquire "if there be any ways, waters, ditches, or paths obstructed, narrowed, or stopped, or turned out of the right course to a wrong course, unto the danger of the King's people, &c." At pages 312 to 320 of this volume will be found the record of the Assembly Quest for the year 1609, which may be taken as a sample of the scope and nature of the work of this important court—a record instinct with life and with human interest. There are bye laws about scouring and cleansing ditches and water courses. The common wells are carefully protected from contamination. Fines are imposed on those who obstruct the streets with refuse or middens. The lord's monopolies in the corn mill and the public bakehouse are recognised and guarded, and there are curious regulations about the price to be paid for wedding dinners and goose feasts. The young folks are forbidden to play football and other games in the churchyard or in the town streets. One curious regulation reads thus:—

> Item, a payne laid that no maner of person or persons shall at any tyme after nyne of the clock until three of the clocke in the morning use walkinge or talkinge in the towne street whereby it shall be anoyance to those that be honest men and howseholders in the said towne, in payne of every one so offendinge, so often as they are taken or known to behave themselves to the vexacion of their honest neighbours to forfeit xs. And if he be a sonne, servant, or apprentice, the father or master of such a sonne, servant, or apprentice to pay the mercyment due for such sonne, servant, or apprentice.

It must not be overlooked that these regulations and fines were not made by the lord of the manor or his officers, but by a jury of the inhabitants—the people governing them-

[1] See pp. 312 to 320.

selves. The heading of the list of officers says they were "appointed by the jury." In a similar record for the soke of Bradfield the jurors say, "we doe present, nominate, and appoynt" the constables, overseers of the highways, overseers of bread and ale, and so on. In Sheffield there were officers to see and search that flesh, fish, bread and ale were lawful and sufficient according to the statute; to see that butter and eggs were brought into the market and not sold in the fields; to see and search that corn was brought in the market and none sold until the market bell rang. There were overseers for the mending of the highways, for searching and sealing of leather,[1] for gathering money to pay the swineherd, to see that swine were ringed according to the statute, while to each of the town wells was assigned one overseer to looke that none did corrupt it by washing clothes or anything else.

In the Manchester Court Leet records may be seen abundant illustrations of the working of this ancient institution. The Sheffield regulation against playing football and other games in the churchyard and streets finds its counterpart in a Manchester order of the 4th April, 1583:—

The jury doth order that whereas there is great abuse in a game or games used in the town called gidiegadie or the catspallet, and tipping or hurling the ball, that no manner of person shall play at the same games being above the age of seven years, either in the churchyard or in any streets of this town upon paine of every person so playing to be imprisoned in the Dongeon for the space of two hours, or else every person so offending to pay sixpence every time; and if they have not to pay then the parents or masters of such persons so offending to pay the said sixpence or to suffer the like imprisonment.[2]

The game of giddy-gaddy or tip cat, like the modern game bearing the latter name, was and is a dangerous amusement to practice in the streets. The Sheffield game of "hornobillands" seems to have been of a similar kind.

In addition to the Court Leet Records, the Manchester Corporation has also printed three volumes of Constables' Accounts, and these again afford a valuable side light on our Burgery. Many of the duties discharged by the constables

[1] Sealers of leather were those who had to see that the skins were properly dressed and were duly stamped, without which it was not lawful to sell them. John Wilkinson's "directions for keeping a Court Leet," published in 1638, contains this passage:—"Also you shall inquire of tanners that have used the occupation of a cordwainer or a currier, or that hath put any leather to sale, but red leather as it came from the tanne fat, or that hath put any hide or piece of leather to sale before it be well dyed, marked, and sorted, and then sold in open market, or that hath tanned any sheep skins."

[2] Manchester Court Leet Records, Vol. I., p. 234.

in Manchester were discharged by the Burgery in Sheffield, as for example the passing on of cripples, the hue and cry, the raising of money for the King's provision, the charge of the parish armour, the maintenance of the archery butts, the payment for the House of Correction. These and other expenses in Sheffield were defrayed out of the ordinary income of the Burgery, while in Manchester the constables had to levy rates in order to provide funds. There were, as we have seen, "lays" or "sessments" in Sheffield for special occasions, but the burden on the town was very much lightened by the income from the public property. If, for example, we compare the year 1612-13 in Sheffield with the same year in Manchester we shall realise how the public property in Sheffield saved the pockets of the ratepayers. The receipts of the Collector in Sheffield were £15. 18s. 6d., made up of a year's rent £11. 18s. 4d., and a balance brought forward of £4. 10s. 2d. The receipts of the constables in Manchester were £26. 11s. 5d., made up as follows:—Balance from the last year £1. 4s. 9d.; received from the mise gatherers[1] for one oxe lay, 16s. 0½d.; received from the mise gatherers for the repair of beacons, munition of armour, weapons, match, bullets, and powder for the train bands £1. 5s. 10d. and £2. 12s. 8d.; received from the mise gatherers for the furnishing of souldiers for reinforcing his Majesty's garrisons in Ireland £3. 7s. 11d. and £7. 3s. 3d.; received of the hamlets for ox money £1. 15s. 2d.; received more of the mise gatherers to pay for making of precepts for hue and cry after fellons and other suspected persons of murder, as also other precepts to the hamlets for collecting ox money, and for souldiers into Ireland, and repair of beacons, munition of armour, weapons, match, bullets, and powder for the train bands, and also for the conveying of prisoners to Lancaster, repairing of the dongeon, cage, stocks, and rogues' post, and other necessary uses for the townes as by these particular accounts appeareth £8. 5s. 9d.; total, £26. 11s. 5d.

Thus we see the expenses of Sheffield met entirely from the rents of property; those of Manchester from lays or assessments. The moneys of each were laid out for very similar objects. The account for Sheffield will be found in full on page 98. It commences with a payment to the constable of £6. 1s. 3d. for the relieving of maimed souldiers, erecting and maintaining the House of Correction, repairing various county bridges, the relief of prisoners in gaol, the provision of wax for his Majesty's household, and the payment of Captain Phillip's yearly pension. 16d. is expended in repairing the town butt;

[1] Rate collectors.

£6. 7s. 4d. for money given to those that had passes, and sending prisoners to gaol; 6s. 4d. for amending the cage and stocks and sawing timber for a new pair of stocks; 6s. for dressing the town armour; 5s. 4d. for trained souldiers when they went to Rotherham, as well as some other charges about the armour. The total expended was £16. 3s. 4d., or 4s. 10d. more than the collector received, "which was taken out of the next year's rent." Some of the items of expense in Manchester may be noted for the sake of comparison with those in Sheffield:—

For ox money, £2. 9s. 0½d.; for repair of beacons, armour, weapons, &c., for the traine bands,[1] £3. 17s. 6d.; for furnishing soldiers for Ireland,[2] £10. 3s. 8d.; for sending a cripple and three children to the constable of Cheetham in a cart,[3] 1s. 6d.; for carrying two lame souldiers that came from Westchester to go to York, one horse back and towards their relief,[4] 1s. 6d.; for carrying an old woman by a barrow towards Yorkshire,[5] 4d.; for going unto Bury by both the constables for answering the payment of the aid money for all the freeholders of Manchester,[6] 2s. 6d.; for mending the lock of the cage[7] and other work, 5s.; to making precepts for hue and cry, &c., 6d.

These or similar entries may be found in the following pages of the Sheffield Burgery accounts, showing how Sheffield was helped in her necessary burdens by her public property.

One of the duties discharged by the Burgesses was in connection with the taxation of the town. The accounts show that a tax, frequently recurring, and amounting to 45s. 4d., was usually paid by the Burgesses out of their general income, while in other cases a special levy was made. When subsidies were granted by Parliament, the constables of the various townships were summoned by the Royal Commissioners to appear before them, and various small items of expense in connection with these visits are entered in the Burgesses' accounts for journeys to Pontefract, Doncaster, and other places. The question of taxation in England has been fully treated in the work of Mr. Stephen Dowell, assistant solicitor of Inland Revenue, entitled "A History of Taxation and Taxes

[1] For the train bands; compare p. 83.

[2] For soldiers into Ireland; compare pp. 82 and 83.

[3] Sending on a cripple; compare p. 67.

[4] Sending on lame soldiers; compare p. 84.

[5] Carrying an old woman by a barrow; compare p. 70.

[6] For going into Bury, &c.; compare spent at Rotherham for cessing of the subsidy, p. 85.

[7] For mending the cage; compare p. 98.

in England from the earliest times to the year 1885."[1] From this authority we learn that taxation on rent and moveables began in 1188, when what was known as the Saladin tithe was granted—a tax representing one-tenth of a year's rent or one-tenth of the full value of each man's personal property. The tax passed through various phases, but in 1334 Royal Commissioners were directed to treat with the men of cities, boroughs, and townships, and settle with them a fine or sum to be paid as a composition representing the tax. Parliament granted a 15th from counties outside royal demesne, and a 10th from cities, towns, and royal demesne. Henceforth the sum fixed in 1334 was accepted as the basis of taxation, and "as far as the exchequer is concerned a 'fifteenth and tenth' was practically a fiscal expression for a sum of about £39,000; and when a fifteenth and tenth was granted every county knew the amount to be raised in the county for the fifteenth, and every city and borough the amount to be raised therein for the tenth."[2]

On this basis taxation proceeded, until Parliament in Tudor times began to add to the fifteenths and tenths a general subsidy on land and goods. A poll tax resorted to in 1513 yielded only £50,000, whereas it had been expected to produce £160,000. The deficiency was sought to be made up in 1514 by a general subsidy of 6d. in the pound, but as this yielded only £45,637, a second subsidy was levied in addition to a fifteenth and a tenth. "From this time," says Mr. Dowell, "dates the practice of granting in supplement to tenths and fifteenths, and in the same Act, a general subsidy of the kind granted in 1514."[3] Though the subsidy began in 1514 at the modest rate of 6d. in the pound, long before the close of King Henry's reign a full or entire subsidy was 4s. in the pound on the rent of lands and 2s. 8d. in the pound on goods, an arrangement very favourable to land because the rent only was taxed, while on goods the levy was on the full value.

The subsidy, like the fifteenths and tenths, soon fell into a stereotyped groove. Nominally 4s. in the pound on lands and 2s. 8d. in the pound on goods, it became in practice a grant of a sum of money of about the same amount as the yield of the last preceding subsidy. "A subsidy in the latter years of Elizabeth meant, effectively, a sum of about £80,000 to be levied after the manner of former subsidies, just as a fifteenth and tenth meant a sum of about £30,000 to be levied

[1] Four Vols., 8vo, London, Longmans, 1888.

[2] Dowell, Vol. I., p. 87.

[3] Dowell, Vol. I., p. 130.

in the accustomed manner."[1] Sometimes the tax was collected in two parts, as 2s. 8d. and 1s. 4d. on land, and 1s. 8d. and 1s. on goods. The mode of procedure was as follows. Commissioners were appointed for the management of the tax, and these were divided into sets of district commissioners for the various hundreds, who issued precepts to the constables and others to attend and be examined before them. The district commissioners appointed assessors who assessed the taxpayers and returned their assessments to the assistant commissioners. There was a right of appeal from the assessors to the commissioners. Collectors were appointed by the commissioners, and sub-collectors gathered in the money. The machinery was thus not unlike that for the collection of the modern income tax, but the commissioners and assessors of the 16th century had not attained to the scientific perfection of the Surveyors of Taxes and the Commissioners of Inland Revenue in the latter years of the 19th century.

It was to meet the Commissioners, and go through the forms of assessment, that such frequent visits to Doncaster and other places were paid by the Sheffield constables—men whose appointment by the Assembly Quest we have seen recorded at page 318. An entry on the first page of the first account book records the names of the local assessors for the tax on the 6th April, 1593.[2] The sum to be raised was 45s. 4d. It is called a whole tax, and represents the contribution of the whole town. This was evidently the fixed and well understood contribution from the town of Sheffield, dating probably from the settlement of 1334. It occurs as early as 1572 and as late as 1604, after which date the Burgery seem to have thrown the burden on the broader shoulders of the town at large. An entry from the constables' accounts for the year 1624 records the payment of three-fifteenths £6. 16s.[3] This sum is exactly three times the customary 45s. 4d., and being called by the constables "three fifteenths," shows that Sheffield was assessed as part of the county, and not as a borough, where the computation was by tenths

In 1567 a tax of 23s. 4d. was paid; in 1568 one of 23s.—sums that are nearly but not exactly half the customary 45s. 4d. In 1570 Parliament granted two 15ths and 10ths and one subsidy to meet the expenses of the northern rebellion, and it was in 1569 and 1570 that the special assessments already referred to were paid.[4] In 1572 occurs the first

[1] Dowell, Vol. I., p. 154. [2] Page 13.

[3] British Museum. Add. MSS. 24,440, folios 66 to 68.

[4] See page 300 *et seq.*

payment of 45s. 4d. In 1575, 1581, 1585, and 1587 Parliament granted 15ths and 10ths with subsidies: and in 1589, the Armada year, four 15ths and 10ths with two subsidies were voted, together with two subsidies of 6s. from the clergy. These taxes were computed to raise—From the 15ths and 10ths, £120,000; from the subsidies, £160,000; from the clergy, £60,000. In 1592 and 1597 six 15ths and 10ths and three subsidies were voted, but the last subsidy of 1592 produced only £80,000, though it was supposed to be 4s. on the rent of land and 2s. 8d. on the value of goods.

It will be noted that these imposts were not voted every year, and accordingly we find in the Burgery accounts some years in which no tax is paid. After a payment in 1572 no tax occurs till 1576, when two taxes are paid amounting to £4. 10s. 8d. We then pass to 1581, when one tax, 45s. 4d., is paid, and then to 1584, when a like amount appears. Payment of the same sum for taxes occurs in 1586, 1588, 1589, and 1590. In 1593 and 1594 two taxes are paid each year. It is, perhaps, unnecessary to pursue the details further. The prevailing figure is 45s. 4d., but there are occasional variations, as in 1602, when after paying the 45s. 4d. it is added in a later entry, "more delivered to Edward Saunderson towards the payment of a tax, 5s. 5d." We have seen above how in 1624 the tax was paid by the constables, doubtless out of an assessment made for the purpose, and such entries as this of 5s. 5d. "towards the payment of a tax" lead to the inference that the Burgery, though no longer able to discharge the whole tax, were still willing, so far as they could, to help the town. At a later period, under the unpopular and mischievous window tax of 1696, the Burgesses are seen contributing towards the assessment. In 1713 £8. 10s. was paid out of the town's stock to make up the deficiency for the previous year, and in 1734 the Burgesses are found making presents of knives "to the window peeper," the officer who made the assessments, for an object that may, perhaps, be surmised.[1] In 1644 we find a payment of £15. 18s. 8d. for "sesmentes and other necessary and needful uses," and it is worthy of note that an assessment of Manchester in October of the same year (1644) amounted to £10. 17s. 5d.[2]

There are fewer references to the civil wars than might have been expected. In 1642 the Burgesses spent £21. 15s. 7d. on the purchase of 22 muskets. On page 148 we find a payment of £6 "when my Lord of Manchester's army took this castle."

[1] See pages 325 and 362.

[2] Manchester's Constables' Accounts, Vol. II., p. 103.

On page 149 there is a reference to "makeing the bullworkes." Beyond these the townsfolk seem to have pursued the even tenor of their way, making their ordinary outlay on the waits, the bridge, the Sembly Quest, and such matters. The only indication of confusion is that the arrears of rent mount up from £20. 12s. in 1637 to £67. 9s. 2d. in 1650; and the accounts for 1648 and 1649 are not entered in the book.

The old organisation of the Burgery continued until the year 1681, though an abortive effort to change it had been made in or about the year 1639. After the death of Gilbert, Earl of Shrewsbury, in 1616, the lords of the manor ceased to be regularly or even frequently resident at Sheffield Castle or Sheffield Manor, and it may well be that the loss of this paramount influence in the town was felt in some relaxation of the bonds that had hitherto held the community together. The townsmen of Sheffield had been for so many generations accustomed to lean on the guidance of the great lords whose chief seat lay at their doors, that they felt the withdrawal of it. The modern citizen, thinking of earls as they exist to-day, scarcely realises the position of the Earls of Shrewsbury in the 15th and 16th centuries. They were more like the lords of a principality than noblemen managing an estate. Their Courts Baron and View of Frank Pledge exercised jurisdiction over a large part of Derbyshire and South Yorkshire. The High Peak owned their sway, and their courts were held as far south as Ashbourne. Matlock, Wirksworth, Brassington, Tissington, and Hartington, as well as the townships of High Peak, are recorded in their stewards' accounts. Chesterfield was the place for holding the View of Frank Pledge for the Liberty of Scarsdale, and around that ancient borough, Staveley, Barlborough, Aston, Langwith, Whitwell, Brimington, Whittington, Hackenthorpe are among the places mentioned. There was also the manor house of Wingfield, with the district around it, including Morton, Pilsley, Stretton, and other townships. Holmsfield, too, and Eckington, Elmton, and Creswell are enumerated. On the Yorkshire side, without mentioning the great Liberty of Hallamshire, occur such places as Wath, Hoyland, Elsecar, and many other townships. Over all this land the Earl of Shrewsbury for the time being was lord paramount, and near his home at Sheffield he must have commanded special deference. When this influence, which had lasted for so many generations, was withdrawn or diminished and the townsmen tried to walk alone, can we wonder if their leaders were timid and the people ready to try experiments in independence? The leading men of the town, either from

the long habit, or because of a still restraining hand, did not boldly seek a royal charter of incorporation, but set in motion the machinery of the Court of Chancery. That these steps were taken with the assent of the active members of the Burgery is clear from entries in the accounts. Dissatisfaction, so far as it existed, might be looked for among the tenants of the Burgery lands, or among those non-freeholders who envied the privileges they did not possess.

The accounts of the Burgery from the commencement of the 17th century grow more and more stereotyped and lifeless. The expenditure went on year after year in its old groove, and, as the century progressed, the tenants of the Burgery lands and houses seemed to become infected with a reluctance to pay rent. The arrears of rent, which never exceeded a few shillings up to 1609, and were nothing at all in 1610, 1611, and 1612, gradually rose until they touched £18. 15s. 7d. in 1638 and £54. 16s. 6d. in 1643. The old prescriptive use and wont of a non-corporate community seemed not strong enough to meet an emergency in which much real distress was coincident with a wide acceptance of new ideas, and the few who felt the responsibility of their position cast about for a remedy. They found it in an Act of Parliament passed in the 43rd year of Queen Elizabeth, entitled "An Act to Redress the Misemployment of Lands, Goods, and Stocks of Money heretofore given to Charitable Uses." It need scarcely be said that this was a lawyer's remedy. The authors of it ignored, perhaps never knew, how the property of the town was set apart for public rather than for charitable uses. The convenient fiction was set up that these lands and tenements were the gift of pious donors for charitable purposes, and thus came within the purview of the statute. The ancient organisation of the Burgery was entirely ignored, and a Commission was issued to inquire into certain hypothetical abuses and negligences, and to take order so as to ensure the future due and faithful employment of the funds. The first Commission to this effect was issued on the 16th May, 1640, in the 16th year of Charles I., but nothing was done under that Commission. The Earl of Strafford, one of the Commissioners named therein, lost his head within a year, namely, on the 12th May, 1641, and the Civil War broke out on the raising of the King's standard at Nottingham in August, 1642. It is not surprising therefore if the small affairs of the Sheffield Burgery were neglected for weightier matters. The strange thing is that this Commission of Charles I. has all along been treated as a Commission of Charles II., and copies of it endorsed "16th Charles

II." remain to this day among the Burgery papers. The 16th year of Charles II. runs from January, 1665, to January, 1666, twenty-five years after the first Commission was issued, and scarcely a man among the Commissioners named was living at the latter date. There must have been a second Commission issued by Charles II., but I have not been fortunate enough to find it. The new Commission apparently ran on the lines of the old one, with a new set of names inserted as Commissioners. In the year 1681 four of these Commissioners made a decree adjudging the lands and houses to thirteen persons whom they named, their heirs and assigns, in trust for the repair of the Lady's Bridge, of the Barker's Pool, of the causeways and highways, "and other charitable and public uses within the said town of Sheffield." The effect of this decree was to alter the character of the ancient Burgery. From a free community of self-governing Burgesses, acting according to their unfettered discretion, it was changed into a quasi-charity with defined powers, the saving clause of which lay in the wide reaching words "other charitable and public uses." With the lapse of years other provision has been made for the repair of highways and bridges, and the Barker Pool has passed away, so that to-day the general clause "other charitable and public uses" is all the guidance left for the Town Trustees save what they have since acquired in special Acts of Parliament. There was also happily a vitalising provision in the Decree—a provision unfortunately absent from the charter of Queen Mary, namely, the principle of popular election, to which was subsequently added the publication of accounts. The Commissioners decreed that when any three or more of the Trustees should be dead the survivors should convey the estates to such other persons as should be nominated and appointed by the greater part of the inhabitants within the said town of Sheffield, "so that the estate in law of the premises may not remain in Trustees under the number of twelve for above the space of six months together." This popular element has kept the Trust in touch with the progress of the times. It is true that during a large part of the 18th century the Trustees interpreted in their own way the directions about filling up vacancies, and from 1713 to 1778 there were usually only a collector and six assistants.[1] At length public attention was called to the matter, and on the 23rd July, 1778, five Trustees were elected to fill up the vacancies. The next election of Trustees occurred on the 16th August, 1784, when Benj. Broomhead, Vincent Eyre, Henry

[1] See pages 326 and 387.

Tudor, Samuel Marshall and John Greaves were elected. The excellent resolve of 1778 to carry out the letter as well as the spirit of the Decree of Charitable Uses proved evanescent, and it was not till June, 1801, that another election was held. That transaction is recorded on page 398. At the time of this election, and for some years, both before and after, the question had been agitated of the right of the inhabitants, irrespective of any freehold qualification, to vote at the election of Trustees. In 1793 a scheme was submitted to a Master in Chancery, but the suit was not pressed to a decision. On the 5th April, 1811, a committee of the inhabitants was appointed, and a subscription raised "for the purpose of obtaining a proper and specific settlement of the Town Trust." On the 12th July in the same year the Trustees called a meeting of the Freeholders to fill up three vacancies. Mr. Robert Turner, one of the Trustees, presided. A number of inhabitants, not being Freeholders, were present, and it was claimed that the right of election lay with the inhabitants at large. In opposition to this view the opinion of Mr. Leach, a learned counsel, was read in favour of the rights of the Freeholders, but the meeting separated without any election being made. Further controversy followed between the town and the Trustees, and in the end, in August, 1816, Charles Thompson, Esq., Master in Chancery, made a report in favour of the Freeholders. This report was followed by a decree dated the 26th April, 1817, in which it was said :—

> This Court doth decree that the right of election of new Trustees to the charity estates in question in this cause is vested in the inhabitants of the town of Sheffield being Freeholders; and it is ordered that the Trustees do proceed to a new election to fill up the vacancies according to the Decree of Charitable Uses.

An election was accordingly held on the 5th December, 1817. Ten candidates were put in nomination, and Benjamin Withers, Jun., Samuel Mitchell, and Thomas Asline Ward were duly elected and appointed.

On the 18th September, 1822, there was an election to fill three vacancies. There were eleven candidates, out of whom William Battie, William Fisher, and Thomas Pearson were duly elected and appointed, and on the 5th May, 1828, Messrs. John Rodgers, Michael Ellison, Samuel Bailey, and Samuel Hadfield were chosen. There were fifteen candidates put in nomination, including James Montgomery and Bartholomew Hounsfield. Nine years elapsed before there was another election, but public interest in the affairs of the Trust by no means abated. An election was fixed for the

5th May, 1837, and in preparation for it quite an array of talent was offered. Something of the humour of the situation may be gathered from the following election squib :—

An Election of Three suitable persons to fill up vacancies in the Town's Trust will take place at the Town's Hall on Friday next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

The following are the names expected to be nominated.

THE PEOPLE'S LIST.

Joseph Livick, Jun., merchant.
J. W. Hawksworth, merchant.
Wm. Vickers, merchant.
Motto, "The noblest motive is the public good."

THE HOUSE LIST.

Wm. Smith, gentleman. Motto, "Un je servirai" – "One will I serve."
Robert Sorby, merchant. Motto, "Vota vita mea"—"My life is devoted."
John Sykes, manufacturer. Motto, "Prest d' accomplir"—"Ready to perform."

THE PROFESSIONAL LIST.

Luke Palfreyman, Esq. "Nec quærere nec spernere honorem"—"Neither seeking nor despising honours."
Arnold J. Knight, M.D. "Aperto vivere volo"—"To live with will unfettered."
Henry Broomhead, Esq. "Le jour viendra"—"The day will come."

THE WESLEYAN LIST.

James Dixon, manufacturer. "Mutare vel timere sperno"—"I scorn to change or fear."
Wm. Staley, manufacturer. "Virtus non stemma"—"Virtue not pedigree."
John Jones, draper. "Clarior a tenebris"—"More light from obscurity."

THE LOW COURT LIST.

Chas. Habershon, C.L.C. "Tout bien ou rien"—"All or nothing."
Edwin Unwin, auditor. "Virtute non astutia"—"By virtue not cunning."
Joseph Foote, auditor. "Volo non valeo"—"I am willing but unable"

The election resulted in the return of "the People's list," Messrs. Levick, Hawksworth, and Vickers.

Again an interval of nine years elapsed before a vacancy occurred. Vincent Henry Eyre resigned on the 30th October, 1846, and four candidates appeared in the field, namely, Edward Vickers, Samuel Scott Deakin, Samuel Roberts, Jun., and Henry Wilkinson. Mr. Henry Wilkinson was elected. On the 10th December following another election was held, owing to the resignation of Thomas Pearson. William Butcher, John Sykes, and Thomas Dunn were nominated, and Mr. Butcher was elected. In June, 1847,

Samuel Roberts the younger, and in July, 1847, Thos. Porter, were elected—Mr. Roberts without a contest, and Mr. Porter after defeating Mr. Thomas Blake.

I do not follow the record of elections into what may be called modern times. It may suffice to say that elections are now regularly held when vacancies arise, and the keenest interest is felt in the appointments.

The first indication in these accounts of the new order of things constituted under the Decree of 1681 is shown in the accounts for the year 1686, when the old heading of the Burgery is changed into these words:—

"The account of Mr. William Simpson, collector of the rents belonging to the Trustees appointed by a decree of charitable uses," &c.

At the end of the accounts for that year is a memorandum recording the election of five new Trustees, doubtless intended to fill up vacancies by death or resignation. In the main the expenditure goes on on the old lines, but the rental has increased to £47 14s. 8d., and the arrears of rent continue to be heavy. Nevertheless the Trustees were able to save money, which they lent out upon bond at the rate of 6 per cent. interest. Among the loans are £200 to twenty scissorsmiths, and £50 to "Twelve Tradesmen." It is not easy to trace all the items on the system of accounts adopted by the Burgesses. The accounts for 1688 show a total sum owing upon bond of £983; further on in the same year the sum owing is put at £714, and at the beginning of the accounts for 1689 the total upon bond is stated at £286, although the repayments of loans as recorded only amount to £50. How the difference was disposed of is not explained.

An interesting series of entries occurs showing payments by the Trustees towards the stipend of the vicar and for repairs of the vicarage. In this connection should be noticed the memorandum dated 20th August, 1688, which, though cancelled in the book, throws a light on the position of the vicar and his parishioners. It is clear that a collection was made at this time in the town to augment the vicar's stipend—not a compulsory rate, but a collection "by way of entreaty," and the Trustees were careful to call their contribution to this fund a "gratuity" and sometimes a "free gift." In 1706 "two years' gratuity," namely £20 was paid, "the same being voted and carried by a majority of the Freeholders."[1] It is worthy of notice, also that Mr. Jolley, who was minister of the Upper Chapel, received in 1700 "his

[1] Page 295; also 323. Also letter from Duke of Norfolk, 1723, in note, page 348.

year's salary;" but there are several other references to Mr. Jolley, which rather suggest the idea that he acted in some secular capacity in the service of the Burgery.[1] Other ecclesiastical benefactions were about this time embraced within the scope of the Trustees' operations, and £120 was contributed to the new church, now known as St. Paul's.[2] On several occasions the Archbishop of York was entertained at considerable expense.[3] Payments were made for new bells at the Parish Church in 1687, 1694, and 1798;[4] but at a later period gifts for church purposes were declined.

At the close of the 17th century the Burgesses were busily engaged in building a Town Hall on land immediately adjoining the Church gates. There are references in the accounts to a still earlier hall, but I am inclined to believe this was wholly or partly the property of the Lord of the Manor. In the accounts for 1566 occurs a payment of eightpence to Wm. Dycker "for storinge at the new halle." It is known that the Cutlers' Company built a hall in Church street in 1638 at a cost of £150 15s. 11d.; but in Harrison's Survey of the Manor of Sheffield, dated 29th September, 1637, there is a mention of the "Sheffield Towne hall" among the properties of the Lord of the Manor within Sheffield Soake. The following is the entry, taken from the Survey, a valuable manuscript now preserved in the Duke of Norfolk's Estate Office. It occurs under the heading of Sheffield Soake, and among the tenants at will:—

John Butler holdeth at will a shopp under Sheffield Towne hall and payeth yearly ij s.; Wm. Skargill holdeth a shopp under Sheffield Towne hall and payeth yearly xxviij s.; Charles Housley holdeth a shop under Sheffield Town hall and payeth yearly xx s.; Widdow Eyre holdeth at will a shop under Sheffield Town hall and payeth yearly xxj s.; Richard Gregge holdeth at will a shop under Sheffield towne hall and payeth yearly xxij s.; Thomas Barton holdeth at will a shop under Sheffield towne hall and payeth yearly xiij s.; Richard Colton holdeth at will a shop under Sheffield towne hall and payeth yearly xvj s.; Widdow Elmore holdeth at will a shop under Sheffield Towne hall and payeth yearly xiiij s.; Willm. Hoyland junior holdeth at will a shop under Sheffield Towne hall and payeth yearly xxij s.; George Lee holdeth at will a shop under Sheffield Towne hall and payeth yearly viij s. vj d.· Nicholas Stanniforth holdeth a shopp under Sheffield Towne hall and payeth yearly xiiij s.

Clearly these shops, and the rent arising from them, belonged to the lord; but there is no mention of any rent due from the Town Hall itself, and probably the hall over the

[1] For references to payments to the vicar, or for repairs of the vicarage, see pages 194, 223, 225, 257, 259, 262, 263, 277, 291, 329, and others.

[2] See pp. 344 and 349.

[3] See pp. 256, 272, and 334.

[4] See pp. 236, 260, and 400.

shops was the property of the burgesses. In the Town Hall built in 1700 the Lord of the Manor and the Burgesses had joint rights. The Duke of Norfolk contributed £100 towards the cost of the Hall on condition that he might hold his Manorial Courts there. Under date 3rd November, 1703, is a curiously worded memorandum about the bargain between the Duke of Norfolk and the Town. It is called "The Townes Burgesses grant to Thomas Duke of Norfolk."[1] Like the earlier hall, the new hall had shops under it, as will be seen from an entry on page 291. The building has been described as a small one approached by a flight of steps. Under the hall were "lobbies" for the detention of prisoners, and also little shops or stalls.[2] Neild, in his "Prisons of Yorkshire," published in 1802, says: "The lobbies under the Town Hall are three dark cells, which open into a narrow passage, the largest 8ft. high by 6ft. square." There was a round hole in each lobby door through which the prisoners could be communicated with. It was from the steps of this hall that William Wilberforce addressed the electors at the great Yorkshire contest of 1807.

After an existence for just over a century this Town Hall was declared "unfit for any public business," and on the 16th March, 1808, was advertised for sale, to be taken down and removed. The materials sold for £168. In 1805 we find the Town Trustees consulting with the Justices and the Master Cutler about the necessity for better accommodation. In July of the same year there was a conference with the Duke of Norfolk, and after prolonged negotiations a hall was built on land belonging to the Trust situate at the corner of Waingate and Castle street. The Trustees contributed towards the expense £1000, and paid Mr. C. Watson, architect, of Wakefield, £50 for plans. This hall was opened on the 19th April, 1810. In the year 1864 the building was leased to the Corporation of Sheffield at a nominal rent for a term of 500 years, and was by them extensively altered and re-arranged. In 1894, 470 yards of land in Waingate adjoining the hall were let on lease to the Corporation for a term of 470 years, a period fixed so that it might terminate at the same date as the lease of the adjoining piece. On this ground the Corporation have erected a handsome new police court, some much-needed cells, and other accommodation, and the whole has been in public use since January, 1897. In 1891, when the Corporation was actively engaged in erecting a new Town Hall on land adjoining St. Paul's Church,

[1] See page 285.

[2] "Reminiscences of Old Sheffield," Second Edition, page 62.

the Town Trustees consented to change the name of the old Town Hall to that of Court House, and under this designation it is now known. The modern Municipal Corporation, with its large powers and many activities, in this, as in so many other departments, has superceded the older organisation of the Burgery.

Probably no single undertaking in which the Town Trustees took part was more beneficial to the town, or more profitable to the town's estate, than the promotion of a scheme for improving the navigation of the River Don, or Dun. The first mention of the project occurs in the accounts of 1722. The active parties to the movement were the Town Trustees, the Cutlers' Company of Hallamshire, and the Corporation of Doncaster. The story opens with an expenditure of 13s. "to treat Judge Jessop." Then follow journeys to Doncaster, Rotherham, York, and elsewhere, and conferences with surveyors, landowners, lawyers, and all the race of those who appear on the scene when engineering and parliamentary projects are afoot. Great efforts were made to secure the favour of noblemen and county magnates, and deputations were sent far afield to solicit aid or avert opposition. One deputation went to York, Malton, and Castle Howard; another to Congleton and Chester; another to Liverpool and Stockport; another to Hull, Heyden, and Grimsby; another into Derbyshire; another to Lynn; another to Derby and Yarmouth. Strong opposition came from Gainsborough and Bawtry, where it was felt that the new navigation would divert traffic from the time-honoured trade route through those places. The efforts of the Trustees involved an expenditure far beyond the modest income then at their disposal, and in 1724 and 1725 they began to borrow money on personal security. £430 is recorded in Mr. Benj. Pearson's accounts for 1724-25-26, £1750 in 1727, and other sums at other times. The credit of the town and of the Trustees was good, and the rate of interest was 4½ per cent.

A graphic account of the battle before the Parliamentary Committee survives in the letters of Mr. John Smith to his wife, written in 1726. Mr. Smith had been Master Cutler in 1723, and throughout the struggle took a leading part on behalf of the Cutlers' Company. The Town Trustees were represented by Mr. Samuel Shore, who is referred to by Mr. Smith, in his letters, in terms not wholly flattering, but, human nature being what it is, these little differences often occur during deputation work in London, as many gentlemen still living can testify. The earliest of Mr. Smith's

letters is dated "London, February 25th, 1725-6," and announces his arrival that day, "very well, only my eyes are a little sore with the frost eayre." There was not much news. He had waited on Mr. Jessop and others, but could as yet say little of "the affair we are come about." "Pray make much of yourself in my absence. . . Dear love, I am yours till death, in the most affectionate bonds." The good man had only been married in December to Rebecca Fletcher, his second wife, and this early separation was rather trying. The next letter is undated, and probably belongs to a later month. It bears the frank of J. Knight, member for Sudbury. A letter from the absent wife had "put fresh life and spirits into a weary body." They were "hard at work as ever" and uncertain of the result, "but it is very probable next Thursday will, in a great measure, determine" the issue.

I heartily wish this affair over one way or the other, for we are to have our grand struggle by councell on both sides, and are struggling to support our different interest, I mean for and against our Bill. I hope to be at home with my dearest in about a fortnight, let the matter go how it will. Mr. Shore on Lord's day night came to my bedchamber at 10 o'clock to my very great surprise; he might have stayed at home, for I do not know he can either do us good or hurt. . . . I am in very good health blessed be God, but poor Mr. Palmer is in a feavor; he is our surveyor of the River. I do not know how it may please God to deal with him, but he is dangerously ill.

Mrs. Rebecca Smith had a bad habit of leaving her letters undated, but the reference to Mr. Palmer's illness helps to locate one of them, in which she says :—

I am glad to hear you are so prudent to keep from Mr. Palmer now he is so dangerously ill. I shall be glad to hear it is better with him. I assure you, my dear, I have never taken any notice of what you said of Mr Shore, nor shant do to any person what ever. What ever you are pleased to communicate to me as a seacreet I hope youl allways find I keep one, for I look upon it as my duty so to do.

Having so exemplary a wife, Mr. Smith was tempted to be communicative. In an undated letter, addressed to "my dear creature," otherwise "For Mrs. Smith, near Barker pool, in Sheffield, Yorkshire," Jno. Smith, "in the strictest bonds of conjugal affection," writes :—

Parliament sits to-morrow, when we hope to have our Bill read a third time, and so shall have done with the House of Commons, but as the Lords do not meet till Tuesday next, we shall be hindered three or four days before we can bring it before them. As for Mr. Shore's coming home, I am very glad of it; I wish he had never come, for he, by his imprudence and mismanagement, has done us a deall more hurt than good, and has drawn enimys upon us which we have now to grapple with, we should never have had but for him; but keep that to yourself.

On the 16th April Mr. Smith announces that the Bill is through the House of Commons. He says:—

I have the good news to tell you; we have this day read our Bill a third time and past the House of Commons, so that we shall have no more to do with them. We must now to the House of Lords, who meet on Tuesday next, at which we hope we shall be ready to carry up our Bill to desire their concurrence, and hope we shall have a quick despatch, if we do not meet with opposition. My dearest, I shall think every day two or three till I be with you.

The Bill was read by the Lords a first time on the 19th April. On the 23rd April, Mr. Smith writes:—

I am just now come from the House of Lords, and it is now past six, and have had no dinner this day, but will now go and get something. . . . Here is Lister, of Bawtry, and Sir Nevill Hickman come to solicit against us and to support their petitions from Gainsborough and Bawtry; also Mr. Stanyforth is joyned issue with them. There is now to be a strong combat; who will get the victory, time must produce, but we have great encouragement from all the lords of our acquaintance that they will stand by us, and particularly from the Duke of Devonshire, who is as familiar with me as anybody, for I talk with him every day, and he takes a great deal of pains for us.

At length Mr. Smith was able to announce the final passing of the Bill on Friday, the 6th May, and his immediate return home. He says:—

I went into Smithfield to take coach for Monday, but there being no room, I took room in the Darby coach for Wednesday morning. They now go in two days from here to Darby, so . . . dearest, I hope, God willing, to be with you on Friday night. I have writ to Mr. Cutler to send my horse to be at the Tobot, at Mr. Cooper's, in Darby, on Thursday night, and also a horse for Mr. Steer. . . . After all my fatewque, blessed be God I am very well.

The great work was thus accomplished, and the long absent husband returned home, only to find that his much cherished hopes of offspring had just been disappointed.

The townsfolk welcomed these returning gentlemen with great rejoicings. £10 was spent on an entertainment at the Cutlers' Hall "at the return of Mr. Smith and Mr. Steer from London," and on the 15th February, 1727-8, "Mr. John Smith was unanimously chose by the freeholders assistant in the roome of Mr. Benjamin Pearson deceased," at least one hundred freeholders being present. From that time till his death in 1753 Mr. Smith continued a most active member of the Town Trust, his familiar signature, "Jno. Smith," occurring again and again. He signed the minute book for the last time on the 6th June, 1753, with the shaking hand of an old man, and died on the 15th November following.

The Navigation shares began to pay dividends in 1731,[1] but the calls on the shareholders continued until 1763, when

[1] See page 361.

the Trustees paid the fifty-eighth.[1] The sum invested in this undertaking is now represented by £30,000 4 per cent. Rent Charge Stock of the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway.

The reader who glances down the pages of accounts and minutes will be struck with the multifarious functions of the Town Trustees, but they all resolve themselves under one guiding principle—the public advantage. It was to the advantage of the people of Sheffield to have improved means of communication with other parts of the country. Hence the enterprise of the navigation, followed at a later period by the promotion of turnpike roads. As early as 1739 there is a mention of the Chesterfield Turnpike, and in 1740, a consultation about a turnpike to Manchester.[2] In 1795 one hundred pounds was invested in the Chesterfield turnpike road.[3] In 1777 and 1779 payments were made for roads to Halifax and to Gander lane.[4] In 1803 occur the Sparrow Pit and Eyam roads; in 1812 the Baslow road viâ Abbeydale; in 1818 the proposed road from Sheffield to Glossop.[5]

In 1811, and at other times, there were projects for canals. There was a proposal to make a canal from the River Dun to join the High Peak Junction Canal. In 1814 the Trustees became shareholders in the undertaking to make a canal from Sheffield to Tinsley. As early as 1830 railway projects attracted their attention, and the Trustees petitioned in favour of a Bill for making a railroad from Manchester to Whaley Bridge, "as being likely at some future period to be of importance to the Town of Sheffield by opening a communication with the mineral district of Derbyshire and the port of Liverpool."[6] In 1836 railway projects, highway projects, and a project for the further improvement of the navigation of the Dun, were all under consideration at the same time, but the railways carried the day, and Sheffield men will be interested to listen again to reproductions, as if in a phonograph, of bygone railway schemes—some abortive and others destined to live in modified forms down to the present.

In this year 1897, in which we have been celebrating with such world-wide acclamation the 60th anniversary of the Queen's reign, it is pleasant to be reminded, from these minutes, of the coming of age of the Princess Victoria, of

[1] See page 386. [2] See p. 366. [3] See pp. 399 and 400.
[4] See pp. 389 and 391. [5] See pp. 399, 425, 429. [6] See p. 452.

her accession as Queen, of her coronation, and, in 1842, of the christening of the Prince of Wales, in all which events the Town Trustees took a part.

The early years of the Queen's reign were unhappily coincident with much distress among the working people, and with much political discontent. There are references in the minutes to the Chartist riots in 1840; and at the celebration of the christening of the Prince of Wales in 1842, the most appropriate object for a public subscription was thought to be a gift of £150 towards a fund for the relief of the distressed poor. There can scarcely be a more suggestive contrast than this entry affords, with our present happy condition.

The supply of water for the inhabitants was one of the cares of the Trust. There were public wells from the earliest times which required cleaning and care. As early as 1672 it was resolved to enlarge Barker pool.[1] In 1685 the sum of £11 5s. 3d. was spent "for water worke about the Isle of Wight,"[2] from which we may infer that at that early date there was some thought of supplying the town with water from the river. In 1696 there are charges for making a new well at the Church gates.[3] References to particular wells occur too frequently for separate mention, but in May, 1755, there is a payment of 6s. for "boring in search of springs."[4] Private enterprise, however, took the water supply out of the hands of the Trustees. Mr. Hunter relates how a reservoir was made near the White House by Messrs. Goodwin and Littlewood about 1713, and how, in 1737, Messrs. Matthewman having joined the undertaking, the works were extended to the Crookes Valley.[5] The extension of the works, and their acquisition by the town on the 1st January, 1888, lie outside the scope of the present work.

The supervision of weights and measures was one of the duties of the Court Leet, but the Burgery occasionally intervened. In 1754 an active campaign against offenders was undertaken. Short measures were seized and burned; but with a kindliness that does not always mark the action of the law, sundry "poor widows" received assistance to buy new measures, "their old ones having been taken from them as short."[6] Better still, the Burgesses appealed to the moral sense of the shopkeepers, and spent £6 5s. od. in printing and distributing 500 sermons upon weights and measures preached by the Rev. John Dickinson, one of the assistant

[1] See p. 199. [2] See p. 227. [3] See p. 267. [4] See p. 379.
[5] Gatty's Hunter, p. 159. [6] See p. 378.

ministers at the Parish Church.[1] In those days moral suasion was more relied on than Acts of Parliament to cure moral delinquencies. For example, in 1752, 5s. was laid out in dispersing papers against the practice of throwing at cocks. In the accounts for 1757 occurs a payment of 14s. 6d. "to pay the cricket players on Shrove Tuesday to entertain the populace, and prevent the infamous practice of throwing at cocks."[2] This is an interesting entry. It shows the practical working of the philanthropic mind in the last century, when an effort was made to lead rather than drive public opinion. Under similar circumstances in our day a League would be formed to set the law in motion, or an agitation would be got up to procure the passing of a prohibitive Act of Parliament. We seem to lack the faith and the patience that characterized our forefathers.

In the winter of 1734 the Burgesses began to light the streets of the town with oil lamps. Only the year before, namely in 1733, had Birmingham been lighted with 700 lamps. In 1736 the Lord Mayor of London and the Common Council applied to Parliament for power to light the streets of the City in a better manner than had hitherto prevailed, that is at the hands of, or by the contributions from individual householders. Thus Sheffield was well abreast of the movement. Things were modestly done at first, as will be seen from the payments recorded on pages 363 and 364, but as the wants of the town grew the lamps were increased in number, and at length they were so arranged as to burn all night.

In 1811 the feeling of the town began to manifest itself in favour of some extension of the powers of local government hitherto possessed, and there were proposals to promote an Improvement Act. It was not, however, until May, 1818, that a Bill passed through Parliament for the better watching, lighting, and cleansing the town. Towards the cost of promoting this Act the Town Trustees were large contributors. In the same session a Bill passed for incorporating the first Sheffield Gas Light Company, and thus it happened that along with the creation of Commissioners under the Improvement Act, there came into existence a gas company to furnish gas for the public lamps. The old oil lamps were superseded, and gas became the general illuminant.

Under the Police or Improvement Act the burden of lighting and cleansing the streets of the town was removed from the funds of the Trust and placed on the general body of the

[1] See p. 379. [2] See page 382.

ratepayers. This was a considerable relief to the Trust, for in 1817 the scavengers had cost £105, in 1818 £52 10s. 0d. In the same years the cost of lighting had been £266 11s. 6d. and £452 19s. 5d. respectively. There had, however, for several years been a heavy drain on the funds of the Trust for Parliamentary and legal charges. Two suits in Chancery, to which reference has already been made, dragged their slow length along, involving heavy expense, the chief point in dispute being the determination of the question with whom the franchise for the election of new Trustees rested. On the 14th June, 1827, the Royal Assent was given to an Act of Parliament under which it was provided that seven Trustees might sign deeds and leases, which formerly required the signature of the whole body of thirteen; that the Trust estates should vest in new Trustees on their election, without any deed or instrument to convey them; and that the accounts of the Trust should be exhibited to the inhabitants yearly on the 11th May. These were important provisions, facilitating the work of the Trustees, and keeping them in intelligent touch with their constituents, through the channel of publicity.

At the time when the relief came from the Improvement Act of 1818, the estates of the town were considerably in debt. In 1820 the Trust was owing the Collector £1707 7s. 3d., and it was not till 1823 that a small balance appeared on the right side. In 1826 the income of the Trust from rents was £383 16s. 1d., and from other investments £962 8s. 9d., making a total of £1346 4s. 10d. Relieved of the lighting and cleansing charges, it became the object of the Trustees to use their income from time to time in widening and improving the streets of the town. Instances of this kind occur on almost every page of the minutes and accounts after 1820. As the income of the property increased, the views of the Trustees became broader, and the wants of the town seemed greater. It was then found that street widening by negotiation and consent was a process all too slow for the needs of the time. Accordingly, in 1838 an Act of Parltament was procured under which the Trustees were empowered to make, widen, and improve certain streets therein named. Powers were given for the compulsory taking of lands similar to those now conferred by "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845." It was under this Act that Queen street, after a long and fruitless private negotiation, was carried forward into Westbar green, and an old "rookery" called Ratten row, at the bottom of Townhead street, was abolished. In working out the provisions of this Act the Trustees found themselves crippled for want of borrowing powers, and

accordingly an Act was passed in 1846 enabling them to borrow to a moderate extent, and conferring powers also for making further street improvements. It was under this Act that Snig hill was widened. A sum of £8000 was borrowed, but the whole of it had been paid off out of surplus income by the year 1861. In January, 1876, after considerable negotiation with the Corporation, it was arranged that the Town Trustees should carry out the widening of Church street from St. James's row to Townhead street. The whole of the cost of this scheme had been defrayed out of surplus income by the end of the year 1894.

The death of Mr. Samuel Bailey, one of the Trustees, on the 18th January, 1870, brought a great accession of wealth to the Trust. Under Mr. Bailey's will the Trustees came into possession of property of the capital value of £101,526 10s. 1d., with directions to apply the income thereof "for such objects of public utility in Sheffield, or for other charitable purposes (not being of an ecclesiastical nature) as the general annual income of the Trust funds belonging to them [*i.e.*, the Town Trustees of Sheffield] as such Trustees in trust for the town of Sheffield are applicable."

The present income of the Trust, as shown by the accounts produced and published on the 11th May, 1897, is:—From ground rents, farming land, and chief rents, £1596 9s. 1d.; from money in Consols and other investments, £224 8s. 6d.; from 10 River Dun shares (now £30,000 4 per cent. Rent Charge Stock of the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway), £1200; from the Bailey fund, variously invested, £3190 6s. 9d. Total income, £6216 15s. 4d.

Since the Police Act of 1818 the surplus income of the Trust has been largely devoted to street improvements, but of late years the larger powers and larger schemes of the modern Municipal Corporation have dwarfed anything of that kind that could be accomplished by the Trustees. Under these circumstances they have turned their attention to other schemes of public utility. In 1890 a sum of £5000 was given towards the enlargement of the Sheffield Royal Hospital. In 1895 a sum of £10,000 was added to the endowment fund of Firth College, and greatly helped forward the movement that resulted in the incorporation by Royal Charter in May, 1897, of Firth College, the Medical School, and the Technical School, under the title of the University College of Sheffield. In 1896 a sum of £3000 was voted towards the addition of a nurses' home and new ophthalmic wards to the Sheffield General, now the Sheffield Royal Infirmary.

In 1897 the Trustees undertook to purchase, for the sum of £5000, the Sheffield Botanical Gardens, with a view to maintaining them for public use, as they have power to do under their Act of 1873. This scheme has not yet been completed, but if, and when it is, there will be thrown on the Trust funds the heavy charge of the annual maintenance of the Gardens as a beautiful open space and a public resort. What a boon that will be to the community may be realized by those who remember how many pretty spots around our town (raised to the rank of a city since February, 1893) have been covered by buildings.

The aim of this volume has been to elucidate the ancient, not to narrate the modern, history of the Burgery of Sheffield; but I could not close the story without the above brief reference to modern times. The value of this ancient possession of our city has been exemplified through many ages, and it grows more valuable with the growth of population. Since the constitution of the Burgery under the form of a Trust in 1681, and more especially since the final settlement of the rights of election under the Chancery Decree of 1817, and under the helpful provisions of the Act of Parliament of 1827, the affairs of the Trust have been administered with excellent judgment. The position of a Trustee has been such as to excite the legitimate ambition of our foremost citizens. Some of the best men of business, and men with the broadest views, have taken part in the management of the Trust, and for many years not the faintest murmur of complaint has been heard against the policy that has been carried out. Nor do I see any reason to doubt the continuance of this wise action on the part of the Trustees, nor of this enlightened appreciation on the part of the citizens.

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THE TOWN TRUST.

THOMAS LORD FURNIVAL'S CHARTER.

Omnibus Christi fidelibus hoc p*re*sens sc*r*iptu*m* visur*is* u*el* auditur*is*, Thomas de Furniualle t*er*tius filius *et* heres d*omi*ni Th*ome* de Furniualle sal*ute*m in d*omi*no sempit*ernam*. Nou*eri*tis me dimiisse[1] co*n*cesisse *et* ad feudi firma*m* t*r*adidisse om*n*ibus Lib*er*is tenentibus meis de villa de Schefeld *et* eor*um* h*ere*dibus omnia tofta t*er*ras *et* tenementa quas de me tenent in villa p*redic*ta de Schefeld tenend*a* *et* hab*end*a de me *et* h*ere*dibus meis p*redict*is tenentibus *et* eor*um* h*ere*dibus cu*m* om*n*ibus p*er*tinenciis suis p*redict*is toftis t*er*ris *et* tenement*is* inf*ra* villam de schefeld *et* extra p*er*tinentibus in feudo *et* h*ere*ditate lib*er*e quiete b*en*e *et* inpace imp*er*petuu*m*, ita q*uo*d lib*er*a waranna mea p*er* p*redict*os tenentes no*n* impediat*ur* n*ec* in aliq*ua* p*er*turbet*ur*, redd*end*o inde annuati*m* mi*hi* *et* h*ere*dibus meis p*redicti* tenentes *et* eor*um* h*ere*des sexaginta *et* octo solid*os* nouem denari*os* *et* q*ua*drante*m* argenti ad duos anni t*ermi*nos, silic*et* medietate*m* ad Natale D*omi*ni et medietate*m* ad Natiuit*atem* B*eati* Joh*ann*is Baptiste p*ro* om*n*ibus s*er*uiciis *et* demandis, Saluis m*ihi* *et* h*ere*dibus meis fidelit*ate*, escaet*is*, *et* sect*is* cu[*rie*] mee de tenentibus p*redict*is · pret*er*ea volo *et* co*n*cedo q*uo*d curia d*icte* ville de schefeld de tenentibus meis p*redict*is teneatur inf*ra* p*redict*am villam de t*ri*bus septimanis in tres septim*anas* p*er* Ball*iuos* meos sic*ut* actenus vsitatu*m* est temp*ore* ant*e*cessor*um* meor*um*. Et si ita co*n*tingat q*uo*d d*icti* tenentes mei u*el* aliquis eor*um* sup*er* t*r*ansgressione aliq*ua* in d*ict*a curia mea sint amerciand*i* volo *et* co*n*cedo p*ro* me *et* h*ere*dibus meis quod amerciant*ur* p*er* pares suos *et* hoc s*ecun*d*um* q*ua*ntitate*m* delicti. Ad hec volo *et* co*n*cedo p*ro* me *et* h*ere*dibus meis q*uo*d d*icti* tenentes *et* eor*um* heredes tam ementes quam vendentes sint quieti p*er* totu*m* hallu*m*schire

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[1] Sic, should be *dimisisse*.

ubicunque ex omni exactione et peticione tolonei[1] sicut esse solebant tempore antecessorum meorum inpetuum. Et ego predictus Thomas et heredes mei hec omnia predicta cum pertinenciis predictis, sicut predictum est, predictis tenentibus meis et eorum heredibus contra omnes gentes warantizabimus inpetuum. In cuius rei testimonium presenti scripto ad modum sirographi confecto sigilla partium alternatim sunt apposita. Hiis testibus domino Roberto de Ecclisale domino Edemundo Foliot militibus Thoma de Schefeld Thoma de Munteney Roberto de Wadislay Radulpho de Wadislay Thoma de Furneys[2] Willelmo de Darnale Roberto le Bretone tunc senescallo de hallumschire et aliis. Datum apud Schefeld quarto Idus Augusti, Anno domini M° cc. Nonagesimo septimo.

TRANSLATION.

"To all the faithful of Christ who shall see or hear this present writing, Thomas of Furnivalle, the third, son and heir of Sir Thomas of Furnivalle, eternal salvation in the Lord.

Know ye that I have demised, granted, and delivered in fee farm to all my Free tenants of the town of Schefeld and their heirs all the tofts, lands, and holdings which they hold of me in the foresaid town of Schefeld, to hold and to have [the same] of me and my heirs to the foresaid tenants and their heirs with all their appurtenances belonging to the said tofts, lands, and holdings, within the town of Schefeld and outside, in fee and heredity, freely, quietly, well, and in peace, for ever, (provided that my free warren be not hindered by the said tenants or in anywise disturbed), the said tenants and their heirs paying yearly therefor to me and my heirs £3. 8s. 9½d. of silver, at the two terms of the year, namely, half at the Birthday of the Lord (Christmas), and half at the Nativity of Saint John Baptist, in discharge of all services and demands, reserving nevertheless to me and my heirs fealty, escheats, and suit of court of the said tenants.

Furthermore, I will and grant that the court of the said Town of Schefeld of my foresaid tenants shall be held within the foresaid town every three weeks by my Bailiffs, as hitherto has been accustomed in the time of my ancestors.

And if it should happen that my said tenants, or any of them, are to be fined for any trespass in my said court, I will and grant for myself and my heirs that they be fined by their peers, and that according to the measure of the offence.

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[1] The usual word is *telonei*.

[2] In facsimile looks like "*Furneus*." In Wycliffe's translation of *Deut.* iv. 20, "the yren *forneys* of Egipte" is mentioned.

Furthermore, I will and grant for myself and my heirs that the said tenants and their heirs, as well buyers as sellers, shall everywhere throughout all Hallamshire be quit from all exaction and demand of toll, as they were wont to be in the time of my ancestors, for ever.

And I, the foresaid Thomas, and my heirs, will warrant all these matters aforesaid, with their aforesaid appurtenances, as is aforesaid, to my aforesaid tenants and their heirs, against all people for ever.

In witness whereof the seals of the parties are to the present writing, made in the manner of a chirograph, alternately affixed. Witnesses:—Sir Robert of Ecclissale, Sir Edemund Foliot, knights, Thomas of Schefeld, Thomas of Mounteney, Robert of Wadislay, Ralph of Wadislay, Thomas of Furneys, William of Darnale, Robert the Breton, then seneschal of Hallumshire, and others.

Given at Schefeld on the fourth of the Ides of August, in the year of the Lord 1297."

THE COMMISSION OF CHARITABLE USES.

A MOST important step in the history of the Sheffield Burgery is that under which its character was changed from a community of self-governing Burgesses into a Charity with defined powers. The legal instruments under which this change was effected, I quote hereunder at length, even at the risk of some tediousness; the general bearings of the question I treat more at large in the Introduction. It should be noted, however, that the Commission of Charitable Uses was not first issued, as has been hitherto supposed, in the 16th year of Charles II (1665), but in the 16th year of Charles I (1640). Thomas Earl of Strafford, who is named in the Commission, was beheaded 12th May, 1641, and, of the other gentlemen named, all, whom I can trace, were dead before 1665, save Richard Mountenay, who died in 1669.

What happened, I suppose, was this: that the Court of Chancery, moved by a petition from Sheffield, issued the Commission of 1640. The time was one of political unrest, and in 1642 the civil war broke out. In this confusion the affairs of the Sheffield Burgery were neglected for more pressing things, and the Commission remained a dead letter. A fresh Commission on the same lines must have been issued by Charles II, also on local initiative, but I have not been able to find any trace of it either among the papers of the Burgery or in the Public Record Office. During the reigns of the Stuarts many commissions were issued under the statute of Elizabeth, to enquire into Charities in different parts of the coun-

try, but among them does not appear one relating to Sheffield. There is, however, in the Petty Bag Office the Decree made by such a Commission, and quoted below at page 7. The Commission reads thus:—

COMMISSION OF CHARITABLE USES.

CHARLES by the grace of God King of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. To the most Reverend Father in God the Archbishop of York for the time being, and to our right trusty and well-beloved cousin and councellor Thomas Earl of Strafford (Lord Lieutenant and Governor General of our realm of Ireland, and President of our Council established in the northern part of our kingdom of England; and also to our trusty and well-beloved Sir Francis Wortley Knight and Baronet, Sir William Saville Baronet, Sir Edward Osborne Baronet, Sir Richard Tempest, Sir Godfrey Rodes, Sir Thomas Wentworth, Sir George Wentworth, Knight, the Chancellor to the said Archbishop for the time being, Thomas Mawliverer, John Kaye, Robert Rockley, John Reresby, William West, Godfrey Copley, Richard Mounteney, Esquires, Nicholas Broadley clerk, and George Jessop gentleman, greeting:[1]

KNOW ye that we for the due execution of a certain statute made in the High Court of Parliament holden the Seven and Twentieth day of October in the three and fortieth year of the reign of our late dear sister Queen Elizabeth deceased intitled an act to redress the misemployment of Lands Goods and Stocks of money heretofore given to charitable uses—and having special trust and confidence in your approved fidelities wisdoms and discretions have authorised and appointed you to be our Commissioners; AND by these presents do give unto you and to any four or more of you full power and authority to enquire as well by the oaths of twelve lawful men or more of the part of the West Riding in our county of York as well within Liberty as without, as by all other good and lawfull ways and means according to the purport

[1] Thomas Earl of Strafford made Lord Lieutenant of Ireland 13th Jan., 1640, beheaded 12th May, 1641; Sir Francis Wortley, Knight and Baronet, died September, 1652; Sir William Saville, of Thornhill, third Baronet, died 24th Jan., 1643; Sir George Wentworth, of Woolley, died 18th Oct., 1660; Thomas Mawliverer, of Laughton, buried 18th Nov., 1661; Robert Rockley, purchased the Manor of Worsbro', buried at Worsbro', 21st Nov., 1644; Godfrey Copley, Recorder of Doncaster and Pontefract, buried 24th June, 1648; Richard Mountenay, buried 12th Dec., 1669; George Jessop, gentleman, second son of William Jessop, of Broomhall, a barrister, born 29th May, 1584, buried at Sheffield, 17th Nov., 1651.

and true meaning of the said statute, what Lands Tenements Rents Annuities Profits Hereditaments Goods Chattels Money or Stocks of Money have at any time or times heretofore been given limited appointed or assigned by us or any of our Progenitors or Predecessors, or by any other well disposed Person or Persons Bodies Politic or Corporate for the relief of aged or impotent and poor people maintenance of sick and maimed Soldiers or Mariners, Schools of Learning, or Schools in Universities, Repairs of Bridges Ports Havens Causeways Churches, Sea Banks or Highways, Education or Preferment of Orphans Relief Stock or Maintenance for Houses of Corrections, Marriages of Poor Maids, Supportation Aid or Help of Young Tradesmen Handicraft Men or Persons decayed, Relief or Redemption of Prisoners or Captives, or aid or ease of any Poor Inhabitants concerning payment of Fifteens, Setting out of Soldiers, or other Taxes within the Town of Sheffield in the said part of the West Riding in our said County of York, and all [and] singular the Abuses Misdemeanours Breaches of Trust Negligences Misemployments not employing concealing defrauding Misconverting or Misgovernment of the same Lands Tenements Rents Annuities Profits Hereditaments Goods Chattels Money or Stocks of Money or any of them heretofore given limited appointed or assigned to or for any the charitable and godly uses before rehearsed according to the purport and true meaning of the said statute; And upon such enquiry Hearing and examining hereof to set down such Orders Judgements and Decrees as the said Lands Tenements rents annuities Profits Hereditaments Goods Chattels Money or Stocks of Money may be duly and faithfully employed to and for such of the charitable uses and intents before rehearsed respectively for which they were given limited assigned or appointed by the Donors and Founders thereof according to the Purport and true meaning of the said statute; and therefore we command you that at certain days and places which you or any four or more of you shall appoint in this behalf ye or any four or more of you do make diligent inquiry and inquiries upon the Premisses and all and singular the same and all other things appointed by the said Statute for you or any four or more of you to do and execute with effect in all points and in every respect according to the said Statute and the true intent and meaning thereof. And the same Inquisition and Inquisitions and any of them together with all Decrees Judgments Orders and Proceedings which you or any four or more of you shall according to the said Statute thereupon make or set down that you or any four or more of you have before us in our Chancery with all convenient speed or at the

furthest in Quindena Pasche next coming under the Hands and Seals of you or any four or more of you and the Hands and Seals of them by whom the same Inquisition and Inquisitions shall be made, together with this our Commission; And we also command by authority hereof our Sheriff of our said County of York that at such Times Days and Places as you or any four or more of you shall appoint to him he shall cause to come before you or any four or more of you such and as many honest and lawful men of the said part (as well within Liberty as without) by whom the truth in the Premisses may best be known to inquire of the Premisses upon their oaths as you or any four or more of you shall require and command him; WILLING ALSO and charging and commanding all and singular our Justices of the Peace Mayors Sheriffs Bailiffs Constables Headboroughs and all other our officers ministers and subjects to whom in this case it shall or may appertain to be aiding helping and assisting to you our said Commissioners or to any four or more of you in the due execution of this our Commission as they and every of them tender our pleasure and will answer to the contrary at their uttermost perils. In witness whereof we have caused these our Letters of Commission to be sealed with our great seal. Witness ourself at Westminster the Sixteenth day of May in the Sixteenth year of our Reign.

Per Dominum Custodem magni sigilli Angliæ virtute statuti.[1]

WILLYS.

THE DECREE OF CHARITABLE USES.

Chancery Petty Bag. Charity Decrees, Part 39. No. 36.
West Rideing. Comitatus Eboracensis.

Liberata fuit Curia primo die Julii anno regni Regis Caroli Secundi tricesimo quarto.

An Inquisition Indented taken at the Castle of Yorke in the West Riding of the County aforesaid the sixth day of September in the Three and Thirtyeth year of the Raigne of our soueraigne Lord Charles the second by the Grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland King Defender of of the Faith, &c., and in the yeare of our Lord God one thousand six hundred and eighty-one before Thomas Rokeby, Roger Belwood and Thomas Hesletine Esqrs. and Richard Sowrey Gentleman by vertue of a Commission under the

[1] There were no Lord Chancellors in the reign of Charles I. The Great Seal was in the hands of Lord Keepers. In 1664 the Earl of Clarendon was Lord Chancellor.

Great Seale of England to them and others directed for the due Execution of a Statute made in the High Court of Parliament holden the Seaven and Twentyeth day of October in the Three and Fortyeth year of the Raigne of the late Queen Elizabeth intituled an Act to redresse the misimployment of lands Goods and Stocks of Money heretofore given to Charitable Vses, by the oathes of Thomas Twisleton, Samuel Cutler, John Daniel, Joshua Wood, Thomas Stringer, George Tomlinson, William Sympson, John Wood, Abraham Sturdy, Henry Playforth, James Brainham, John Holdworth, William Turner, Matthew Burland and William Clarke, honest and lawfull men of the aforesaid West Riding of the said County of Yorke, who being duly returned impannelled and sworne according to the said statute and Commission do say upon their oaths That the seuerall mesuages cottages or houses lands and Tenements scituate lying and being in Sheffield in the aforesaid West Riding of the said County of Yorke now in the respective tenures occupations or possessions of John Winter, Francis Brownell, John Brownell, Thomas Brownell, John Stephen, George Brach, John Courtnall, John Firth, Joseph Hick, Barlowe widow, John Hawksley, Thomas Matthyman, Stephen Leech, Christopher Stewardson, James Webster, Sarah Fox, John Hancock, Widow Topcliffe, John Tomson, Nicholas Tomson, William Sugden, Widow Emrye, William Woodhouse, James Steuen, Alice Fox widow, Thomas Wilson, Robert Broadbent, John Wigfall, Smith widow, Thomas Bower, Margaret Roberts, Hannah Roberts, Ralph Shore, Thomas Hobson, Joshua Mason, Widow Sooly, Nicholas Heathcoat, Joyce Tayler, John Hicke, William Smith, John Crooke, Anne Hartley, Robert Webster, Elias Tricket, Mister Fisher, John Pearson, Edward Robinson, Charles Symon, James Rockley, William Roger, John Stone, George Jackson, James Tuke, Joan Stephenson, William Owen, John Jostwick,[1] Randall Hancock, Joseph Hancock, Robert Matthyman, John Webster, James Barnes, James Creswick, Joseph Butler, George Tomson, William Stainforth, Robert Nunns, Joseph Walton, William Allen, Anne Badger, John Whitehead, John Spencer, John Tayler, Nathaniel Hall, Thomas Tucker, John Clayton, and George Metcalfe, respectively, were heretofore (of auncient time) given, limitted, or appointed for repair of a Bridge within the Township of Sheffield aforesaid in the said West Riding commonly called Lady Bridge, and for the cleansing

[1] Another MS. gives this name as Jesswicke. The name Thomas Jesswicke is omitted in this copy, but inserted in the Writ of Injunction which follows. The blanks in the copy are blanks in the original.

and keeping in order (for the common use and benefit of the said Town of Sheffield,) a certaine Pond or Poole there commonly called Barker's Poole, and for the Repairing of Causwayes and Highwayes within the said Town of Sheffield, and the Jurores aforesaid upon their oath aforesaid further say That the said severall messuages Cottages or Houses lands and tenements for the space and time of sixty yeares now last past and upwards have from time to time constantly been Demised and Leased by certaine of the then Inhabitants of the said Town of Sheffield somtimes by the names of the Burghers or the major part of the Burghers of Sheffield and at other times by the names of the Burgers or maior parte of the Burgers and Free Tenants of Sheffield and by other names, for such Terms and under such rents as could be agreed upon in that behalfe And that Leases thereof have been accordingly accepted by the Respective Tenants and occupiers thereof under severall yearly rents, and the said Jurors upon their oath aforesaid further say and finde That the Rents of the said Messuages Cottages or Houses lands and tenements have from time to time for and during the said space and time of sixty yeares now last past and upwards (untill of late) been constantly imployed and disposed of to and for the charitable Vses aforesaid and other Public and Charitable Vses for the aid and Ease of the Poor Inhabitants within the said Township of Sheffield. And the said Jurores further say upon their oath aforesaid That [naming again the list of Tenants] are now respectively in Possession of severall of the said respective messuages, Cottages or houses lands and tenements But have no term or Estate therein, and yet do respectively detayne the Possession thereof and refuse to take Leases of the same or to pay any encrease of rent, or improved Rent therefor To the Defrauding of the said Charitable uses and whereby the profits of the premisses are misconuerted contrary to the intent of the Donors. In witnesse whereof to one part of this present Inquisition delivered by the said Jurors to the said Commissioners and by them to be Returned into the High Court of Chancery, as well the said Commissioners as the said Jurors have set their hands and seales. And to the other parte thereof Remaineing with the Foreman of the said Jury the said Commissioners have set their hands and seales the day and yeare first above written.

[Signed]

T. Rokeby.
R. Belwood.
T. Hesletine.
Rich. Sowray.
John Holdsworth.
Henery Clafourt, his H mark.
Thomas Twisleton.
Samuel Cutler.

George Tomlinson, his **2** mark.
William Turner, his **W** marke.
William Clarke.
W. Simpson.
Abharaham Shurdy, his **A** mark
John Danell, his **E** mark.
Tho. Stringer, his **Y** mark.
John Wood, his **E** mark.
Matthew Burland.

[The first paragraph on membrane number two is an abridged edition of membrane number one.]

Now wee the said Thomas Rokeby, Roger Belwood, Thomas Hezletine and Richard Sowrey (Commissioners aforesaid) haveing Duely called and summoned before us the said John Winter, Francis Brownell, John Brownell [names repeated] and Haveing Considered of the Petition Preferred to us by and on the behalfe of the Inhabitants of Sheffield aforesaid Complaining of the misimployment and misconvertion of the Rents and proffitts of the premisses, And Haveing Creddible Information, and it appearing to us that all and Every the Respective Occupiers of the said Respective Messuages Cottages or houses Lands and Tenements (other then the said [blank in MS.] are willing that the Rents and Proffitts of the Premisses should be imployed and Disposed of according to the Charitable uses aforesaid, And to the intent that the same may be for ever hereafter Imployed and Disposed of accordingly, Wee the said Thomas Rokeby Roger Belwood, Thomas Hezletyne and Richard Sowrey doe (by virtue of the said Statute and Commission, and the power and authority to us thereby Given) order Adiudge and Decree All and Every the said Messuages houses Cottages Lands tenements and Premisses, and the Possession and Inheritance thereof unto William Simpson gentleman, Thomas Chappell gentleman, Robert Soresby gentleman, George Lee gentleman, Francis Barlow gentleman, William Cooke gentleman, Thomas Rawson gentleman, Thomas Bretland Gentleman, Joseph Shemeld gentleman, Lyonell Revell Gentleman, Zachary Wilson gentleman, Joshua Bayes gentleman and James Newson gentleman (now Inhabitants within the said Towne of Sheffield) and their heyrs and assignes To the use of them the said William Sympson, Thomas Chappell, Robert Soresby, George Lee, Francis Barlow, William Cooke, Thomas Rawson, Thomas Bretland, Joseph Shemeld, Lyonell Revell, Zachary Wilson, Joshua Bayes. and James Newson And of their heyrs and assignes for Ever, In trust neverthelesse for the Charitable uses and purposes aforesaid, And the said Messuages Cottages houses Lands Tenements and premisses are hereby (and by the power and authority to us given by the said Stattute and Commission) ordered Adiudged and Decreed to be in the actuall Possession and Seisin of the said

William Svmpson [and others as above] vpon the trusts and for the Charritable uses and purposes aforesaid, and that such parsons as now Claime any Estate Right title or interest of in or to the premisses or any parte thereof shall (upon Request) Convey over and Transferr the same vnto the said [names as above] and their heyrs vpon the Trusts aforesaid, and to the end that the Charitable uses aforesaid may be the better performed, Wee the said Thomas Rokeby, Roger Belwood, Thomas Hesletyne and Richard Sowrey, Doe further adiudge order and decree, That when any three or more of the said present trustees, or of any succeeding trustees of the premisses shall happen to be dead, Then and soe often for ever hereafter the Survivores of them shall convey over the premisses to the use of such survivores. And alsoe to the use of such other parsons, Inhabitants within the said Towne of Sheffeild, as shall from time to time be in that behalfe nominated and appointed by the greater parte of the then Inhabitants within the said Towne of Sheffeild for and upon the Charitable uses and Trusts aforesaid soe that the Estate in Lawe of the premisses may not Remaine in Trustees vnder the number of twelve for above the space of six moneths together.

[Signed]

T. Rokeby, R. Belwood, T. Hesletine, Rich. Sowray.

The result of these legal proceedings, which excluded the general body of the Burgesses from the active management of the Town's affairs, caused much dissatisfaction, and some of the Tenants still refused to yield submission to the orders of the Court. Under these circumstances the new Trustees appealed again to the Court of Chancery with the result that they obtained a writ of Injunction under the great seal, dated 26th March, 1st James II (1685) addressed to the tenants, and enjoining them to obey the Decree under pain of a fine of £100. This formidable piece of parchment with a fragment of the great seal attached is still preserved among the archives of the Burgery. It reads as follows:—

THE WRIT OF INJUNCTION.

Jacobus secundus Dei gratia Angliæ Scotiæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Rex Fidei Defensor &c. Johanni Winter [and the rest of the Tenants by name] possessoribus sive occupatoribus quorumdam separabilium Terrarum et Tenementorum cum

pertinenciis in fermo mentionatarum situatarum jacentium et existentium in Sheffeild in comitatu nostro Eboraci datarum limitatarum vel appunctuatarum quibusdam separabilibus charitalibus usibus inferius specificatis Nec non omnibus et singulis aliis Personæ sive Personis quibuscunque quorum interest aut interesse poterit eorum cuilibet salutem Cum nos ea quæ in Parliamento ad Dei gloriam et Populi nostri commodum provisa sunt et ordinata per Regiam authoritatem nostram debita executione demandare teneamur Cumque nuper ex Testificatione Thomæ Rookeby, Rogeri Bellwood, Thomæ Hezletine, armigerorum, et Ricardi Sowray generosi, commissionariorum Domini Caroli secundi fratris nostri præcharissimi beatæ memoriæ nuper Regis Angliæ, &c., defuncti virtute commissionis suæ sub magno sigillo suo Angliæ sigillatæ eis et aliis directæ nuper intelleximus Quod præfati commissionarii virtute cujusdam Acti in Parliamento apud Westmonasterium anno regni præcharissimæ sororis nostræ Elizabethæ nuper Reginæ Angliæ, &c., defunctæ quadragesimo tertio tentati [et] editi (facta primo propriatim (?) Inquisitione ac debita Testium examinatione ac matura deliberatione superinde hoc) quasdam ordinationes sive Decreta in scriptis fecerunt et in Cancellariam nostram retornaverunt in hæc verba, scilicet.

[The text of the Decree is then quoted.]

Sicut per ordinationes et Decreta prædicta coram nobis in Cancellaria nostra de Recordo remanentia plenius liquet Vobis igitur præfatis [repeating the names of the tenants] nec non omnibus et singulis aliis Personæ sive Personis quibuscumque quorum interest aut interesse poterit et eorum cuilibet firmiter injungendum præcipimus quod omnia et singula in ordinationibus sive Decretis predictis contenta et specificata quatenus vos seu vestrum aliquem in aliquo tangit sive concernit faciatis parimpleatis et exequamini et quilibet vestrum faciat par impleat et exequatur cum effectu juxta tenorem et veram intentionem ordinationum et Decretorum prædictorum sub pœna centum Librarum. Teste me ipso apud Westmonasterium 26 die Marcii anno regni nostri primo.

CHURCHILL PENGRU (?)

Per Dominum custodem magni sigilli Angliæ authoritate Parliamenti.

THE EARLIEST BOOK OF ACCOUNTS

OF THE

SHEFFIELD BURGERY.

SHEFFIELD, anno Domini, 1566.—The Boke, as well of the Burgesses Rents there as also of the reconynges of the same howe and after what manner the sayde rents are ymployed as by God's grace within shall appeare. Made and begoyne in the yere of our Lorde God A MVcLXVI., which Boke was begon and written by thands of me Thomas Braye[1] and maye appere within by the parcelle.

[A later memorandum written on this page says :]

Md. that these men whose names are hereunder subscribed are chosen to be cessers for one whole Tax for the Towne of Sheffild the vj*th* daie of Aprill, 1593: the some of xlv*s*. iiij*d*., that is to saye William Selvester, Robert Spowner, William Creswick, William Elliott, William Newbolte, and Rauphe Craven.

1566 to 1707 [in red ink, modern].

[P. 3.] SHEFFIELDE BURGERY, ANNO 1566.—The perfytte rent-all made the xx daye of October, anno domini 1565, appter. .. to the Burgery of Sheffelde, due the feast of the natyvyte of our Lord, and mydsomer by evon porcyons unto the sayde Burgasses, and to the use of all the sayde towne, to be ymployed at the dyscreacyon of the sayde Burgesses, as hereafter shall ensu :—

Thomas Scargell, for his shoppe - - - ij s. viij d.

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[1] Thomas Braye also gave a book in which to keep the accounts of the Capital Burgesses in 1557. His will is dated 11th Nov., 1569, in which he mentions "all my books" and "my poor kinsfolks." Wife Ann to have all testator's lands if she marry not till his son Francis is of age. He was buried at Sheffield 11th Sept., 1570. His eldest son, Francis Bray, married Joan, dau. of Thos. Mosley, of Eyam, yeoman, and by her had issue Thos. Bray, of Eyam, and Francis Bray. Thomas, m. Eleanor, d. of John Alton, M.A., and had issue Elizabeth, who mar. Francis Pierrepoint, third son of Thomas Earl of Kingston.

Thomas Hornor, for the lyke - - - -	ij s.	
William Hornor for the lyke - - - -	ij s.	
Thomas Hollande, for the lyke - - -	iij s.	
John Shemelde, ,, - - -	iij s.	
John Collen ,, - - -	iij s.	iiij d.
Rychard Hornor ,, - - -	iiij s.	
Roberte Hyppenstall ,, - - -		xviij d.
William Elles, for his house he dwellythe in -		viij d.
Thomas Phyllyppe, for his Tarne [Tavern] stayre per annum - - - - -		iiij d.
William Hale, for his house in the southe ende of the Towne, upon his lease - - -		xx d.
Raphe Hollenheade,[1] for Ryles lease - -		xij d.
Thomas Bellfelde and John Fenton daughter, for Ryles lease in likewise - - - -		xvj d.
Rychard Wilkynson for a lathe of Swifte- -	ij s.	
Roberte Greene and Thomas Alen for theyre houses - - - - - - - - -		xx d.
William Sklatter for dunghyll stede- - -		iiij d.
Thomas Bryght for the lyke - - - -		iiij d.
Roberte Hancocke for his house and yarde -	ij s.	
Hughe Sponer for his house at the town end and his lease - - - - - - -	vj s.	viij d.
Uxor Mettam, iij s. iiij *d.*; Roger Buttroods, iij *s.* iiij *d.*; George Kendall and Margery Ule, v *s.* - - - - - - - -	xi s.	viij d.
Uxor Selvester for her house - - - -	ij s.	
John Maggeson for bolmer lease - - -	ij s.	
Rychard Byrley for his penty [ard] - - -		viij d.
William Tomson for his taverne stare[2] - -		iiij d.
Thomas Spencer for his out shote of his smythe adjoynge to my l. [my Lord's.] - - -		vj d.
John Sheldon, out shutte of his house or shoppe		iiij d.
Item, the same for the new house and shoppe -	ij s.	
John Sanwode, for the out shotte of his house		xij d.
Edwarde Shewall, for a garden, a stede adioynynge to the backsyde of the back-house - - - - - - - - -		viij d.
Thomas Cleyton, for his new house- - -	iij s.	iiij d.
William Teyler, for the houses betweene the sayde Clayton's and Olyuer Hurst, viz., a kylne house, a kychen, a stable, and certon shoppes - - - - - - - -		xij d.

[1] Ralph Hollinshead, buried 30th July, 1581.

[2] Taverne means a shop, and "stare" the stairs leading to it, which probably encroached on the roadway.

[P. 4.] Item, the same William Taylyer, for certon houses in the over ende of the Castell Grene[1] - - - - - - - -	ij s.	
Lawrence Shemelde for his dunghill - -		vj d.
William Scargell for his houses - - -	xv s.	
Uxor Langley for the lyke - - - -	xiij s.	
Uxor Grenewodde for the lyke - - -	viij s.	
George Morton for the lyke - - - -	vj s.	
Thomas Oots for the lyke - - - -	iiij s.	iiij d.
Roberte Walton for the lyke - - - -	ij s.	iij d.
Hughe Storey for a smythye and a swyne hoowle[2]	ij s.	
Uxor Strangwyche for a swyne howle and a garden stede - - - - - -		vj d.
Roberte Rogher for his house betwen the waters[3] - - - - - - - -	vj s.	viij d.
Item, the same Roger for a garden stede in the Mylne sannds[4] - - - - - -		xvj d.
Humffrey Bayte for his pytts in the Mylne sannds also - - - - - - -	ij s.	
Thomas Byrley for the lyke - - - -		viij d.
John Hill for the lyke - - - - -		iiij d.
Roberte Spooner for the lyke - - - -	ij s.	
Item, John Dey, there a garden stede - -		iiij d.
Lancelott Davye for his house - - -	ij s.	
Thomas Swallowe for the lyke - - -		viij d.
Roberte Tayelear for his house - - -	ij s.	
The Shamelde house[5] buyldyd by the burgeses and let yerly for the rent of - - - -	v s.	
Thomas Robinson for a myden stede - -		ij d.
The total some of all the rents afforsayd as apperyth[6] - - - - - - - -	vij li.	vij s.

Examined per me Thomam Braye.

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[1] Castle green lay to the west of the Castle, and probably also to the south. The name survives in the street now called Castle green. The Castle stood in the angle at the confluence of the Sheaf and Don. Its outward gate was towards the south, and a ditch surrounded the sides not protected by the rivers. On the other side of the rivers were the Castle orchards and nursery grounds.

[2] Swyne hoowle; pigstye.

[3] A place afterwards called the Isle and sometimes the Isle of Wight. The ground is now more than covered by the Exchange Brewery.

[4] Millsands is still the name for the ground between the goit and the river. The mill is there as it has been since the days of the Lovetots, but there are no traces of gardens. Houses and works cover the whole area.

[5] The public shambles.

[6] The totals as cast at the foot of the two pages give a rental of £7. 11s. 4d.; not £7. 7s., as here stated.

[P. 5.] Apud Sheffield, anno 1566.—A Recoynynge taken there by the burg.. the iiijth daye of Julye of Thomas Scargell, gatherer of the Rents for the yere of our Lorde A MVcLXV, endyd at Chrystynmas the last past as ffolloweth.

Furst the sayde Thomas Scargell[1] is charged with one holle yeres Rent, endyd at Chrystynmas last past, as apperyth by the Rentall, vij li. vij s.

Whereof

The sayde Thomas asketh allowance for certen money by hym payd within the sayde yere, as herewith shall appere:—

Fryst payde to John Osboston,[2] mason, in full payment of hys for poyntynge of the Brygdge called our Lady Brydge[3] - - - -	xxvj s. viij d.
Item, payde to iiij laborers for workinge iiijre dayes at the brydge, at vij d. the daye -	ix s. iiij d.
Item, paid for leadyng of xx lods of clotts by the said Thomas Scargell for turnynge the water - - - - - - - - -	vj s. viij d.
Item, paid for breade and ale for laborers -	viij d.
Item, paid to thre labourers for one day at the sayd brydge at the like - - - -	xxj d.
Item, paid the xxxjst daye of August for iiijre laborers that worked v dayes at vij d. the daye - - - - - - - - -	xj s. viij d.
Item, breade and ale amongst the sayde laborers at sundry times - - - - -	viij d.
Item, paid for pyles to sett the water by - -	xij d.
Item, paid to agnes pynder for caryeynge water	viij d.
Item, geven in ale to the mason - - -	iij d.
Item, paid to Roberte Bowre for this Boke of paper - - - - - - - - -	xxd.
Item, paid to William Dycker for storinge at the newe halle[4] - - - - - - -	viij d.

[1] Thos. Scargell, buried 15th August, 1568.

[2] A Nichosas Osbonston was buried at Ecclesfield, 25th March, 1562. The name Osboston is a local contraction for Osbaldeston.

[3] There was a bridge over the Don in the 12th century, as is shown by Lovetot's charter, which grants land "juxta pontem done," to endow a hospital. The present Lady's Bridge, in parts usually out of sight, retains some very old work, probably as old as the date of its rebuilding in the time of Vicar Pleasaunce, at the latter end of the fifteenth century.

[4] Storinge at the Newe Halle. A building called the New Hall stood in what is now Newhall street. It became, in the early days of religious toleration, a Nonconformist meeting-house, and afterwards passed into the hands of Hollis's trustees, and was used as a hospital for aged persons. It has since been rebuilt.

Item, paid in february to William Atkynson for wallynge a pece at the farther ende of the Sheate brydge[1] - - - - - - -		v s.	
Item, paid to Thomas Scargell for leadynge of xx. lods of stone from the quarrell[2] to the brydge - - - - - - - -		vij s.	
Item, paid to Nycholas Pyper and Thomas Marshall for fyllyng the stone - - -			xij d.
[P. 6.] Item, paid to Thomas Wille and George Morton for one daye leyinge stone at the church yarde nocke, in the hyghe waye -			viij d.
Item, payde for Rentalls makinge - - -			xij d.
Item, payde for iiijre of the burgesses, theyre dyners and Edwarde Pavye's,[3] the sayde iiijth July, at Walton's - - - -			xv d.
Item, paid for the gatherer's fee of the Rents for this yere - - - - - - -		v s.	
The totall some payde as apperyth - -		iiij li. ij s.	vij d.
and so			
Rests of thes accompts as apperyth - -		lxiiij s.	v d.
wherof			
There remaineth unpayde of R. Hencock - - - - - -	ij s.		
Agnes Thornhyll - - -	xv d.		
Of George Morton - - -	vj s.		
Of Thomas Phyllype - - -	ij d.		
Of Hughe Streyen - - -	ij s.		
Thomas, the Shambelhouse -	v s.		
Old Grenwodde wyf - - -	viij s.		
		xxiiij s.	v d.
and so			
Remaynyth of this accompte, and put into the chyste - - - - - - - - -		xl s.	
Item, there is receyved of Thomas Scargell, and it is for the rest of xl s., which he dyd charge hym self with all, and it is charged in Jaymes Haldysworthe, the reconynge the iij day of April, 1567 - - - - - - - -		vj s.	viij d.
Sum of the Remayneth - - - - -		xlvj s.	viij d.

[1] Sheate Bridge, otherwise called in these accounts the Shere Bridge was a bridge over the Sheaf, near the bottom of Dixon lane.

[2] Quarrell, *i.e.*, stone quarry; a good old Yorkshire word.

[3] Edward Pavey seems to have acted as clerk to the Burgesses, and also to the Church Burgesses. He was likewise clerk of the Parish Church, washed the church clothes, and supplied the church candles. A new surplice was bought for him in 1560, at a cost of 4s. 4d. He was buried 21st August, 1583.

[P. 7.] Apud Sheffelde, anno 1567.—A reconynge taken there by the burgesses the iijd daye of April, of John Hill, the gatherer of the rent of the burgyerye for the yere of our Lorde God A M VcLXVJ, endyd at Chrystnymas last past as ffolloyth:

The arreage of the last yere, as apperyth by the pyticulers of the other syde, the some of -	xlvj s. viij d.
Item, the sayde John Hyll is charged with one wholle yeres Rent, endyd at Chrystynmas last past, as doyth apperyth by the Rentall -	vij li. vij s.
The some of the charge - - - - -	ix li. xiij s. viij d.
wherof	
Furst payde for caryeage of a creple to the next constable[1] - - - - - - -	iiij d.
Item, payde for goynge abowte the towne to write the pore people - - - - -	vj d.
Item, payde to John Langley for pavynge the brydge from the one ende to the other where nede requyreth - - - - - - -	xxx s.
Item, paid for a byll shafte for the towne harnes[2] - - - - - - -	ij d.
Item, paid for iij yerds of whyte clothe for the pyper or wayte of the towne after xvij d. the yerde[3] - - - - - - - -	iiij s. iij d.

[1] By the 1st Edw. VI., c. 3 (1547), it was enacted that the officers of each town, &c., should convey the impotent poor on horseback, cart, chariot, or otherwise, to the next constable, and so from constable to constable, till they be brought to the place where they were born, or most conversant for the space of three years, there to be kept and nourished of alms.

[2] This is the first mention of the town harness. Further on in the accounts we shall come upon enumerations of the armour and weapons, with the names of those in whose keeping the different articles were placed. It was one of the duties of the burgesses to keep the harness and weapons in good repair. The Feoffees of Rotherham kept their town harness in a similar way. In Toulmin Smith's "Parish," page 518, note, it is said:—"Not only is every man in England bound by the common law, and ancient statute law, to have sufficient arms (every weapon was formerly called 'armour')—a provision peculiarly characteristic of a free people—but every parish (town) was also bound to have and keep ready for use, a certain amount of armour, as its quota towards the national defence; and, when called upon, the parish had to find a man or men, as occasion needed, fitly trained to the active use of this armour."

[3] The piper or wait was a sort of combination of the watchman and the minstrel. In some places it was the duty of the waits to guard the streets at night and pipe the hour. In Glasgow, 300 years ago, the waits were clothed in blue coats at the city's expense. In London and Westminster, there were waits acting as chartered itinerant musicians as late as 1820. In the latter city they were under the control of the High Constable and the Court of Burgesses.

Item, paid for lyttonge[1] the same - - - vij d. ob.
Item, paid for makynge the same coote - - xij d.
Item, paid the vjth. daye of January for the constable and iiijre men costs and charges to Meykesborough to appere affore the Queenes majesties comyssyoners for the subsydye[2] - - - - - - - - iij s. viij d.
Item, paid sayde daye for breade and ale for certen burgeses - - - - - - - ix d.
Item, paid for iij Rentells makinge - - - xij d.
Item, paid for the Rent gethering this yere - v s.
Item, the xij men theyr dyners of the semble quest the sayde iij daye of Aprill, and xij of the Burgesses at Jaymes H[aldsworth].[3] - ix s.
[P. 8.] Item, payde in Redy money by the sede John Hill, of the ix s. of the other syde xxxiiij s. viij d.
The totall some of money paid and delyeryde iiij li. x s. xj d. ob.

And so
Restyth in John Hill hands over and above xlvj s. viij d. - - - - - - lvi s. ob. paid.

[P. 9.] Apud Sheffeld, Anno 1568.—A Reconnynge taken there by the Burgesses, the xxi daye of June, of Thomas Braye and Roberte Bower, gatherers of the Rents of the Burgery for the yere of our Lorde God, a thousande Vc. LXX. (sic), endyd at Chrystynmas last past, as ffolloythe:

The arreagge or remayneth of money in the boke and in John Hyll hands, of his accompts somm - - - - - - [Amount left blank.]

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[1] Lyttonge, that is dying. Litster was a Yorkshire name for a dyer.

[2] The place indicated is Mexborough. On the 12th December. 1566, Parliament granted to the Queen one-fifteenth and tenth, and also one subsidy. "It amounted," says Mr. Froude, "in a rough estimate to an income tax of seven per cent. for two years."

[3] This is the dinner for the Court Leet jury for Sheffield soke. Concernihg the custom of the manor, John Harrison, in his survey made in 1637, says, "Within this manor is kept a Court Baron once every three weeks, and a Court Leet twice every year, whereof the chiefest Court is kept upon every Easter Tuesday (which is there called Sembly Tuesday), at which there are six juries impannelled. * * Upon every Sembly Tuesday aforesaid, is assembled upon Sembly green, where the Court is kept, and near unto the Castle, at least 139 horsemen, with horse and harness provided by the freeholders and copyholders, and other tenants, to appear before the Lord of the Manor or the Steward of his Courts, to be viewed by them, and for the confirming of the peace of our Sovereign Lord the King."

The sayde accomptants are chargyd with one holle yeres Rent endyd at Chrystynmas anno predicto as apperyth by the Rental - -	vij li.	vij s.
The some of the charge [Amount left blank]		
Whereof		
Fyrst payde for one taxe due wythin the same yere - - - - - - - - -	xxiij s.	iiij d.
Item, payde for iijre yerds of clothe for the whyetes coote - - - - - - -	iiij s.	vj d.
Item, payde for lyttynge the same clothe, vz the half Redde - - - - - - -		vij d. ob.
Item, paid for makynge the same - - -		xij d.
Item, paid for xij mens dyners of the semble quest - - - - - - - - - -	iiij s.	iiij d.
Item, paid to William Atkynson and his sonnes for leyinge the stone of the crose in the market stede[1] and poyntynge it with lyme and sende - - - - - - - -	x s.	
Item, payde to Hughe Sponer for Lyme to the seme crose - - - - - - - - -	viij s.	iiij d.
Item, paid for fecheinge the lyme - - -		ij d.
Item, paid for wacheynge the sayde crose one nyght - - - - - - - - - -		vj d.
Item, paid to the sayde Atkynsons for mendynge yreyshe crose after the same maner[2] -	iiij s.	vj d.
Item, paid to Hughe Sponer for lyme for the same crose - - - - - - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
Item, paid for wacheinge one nyght - -		vj d.
Item, paid to Mr. Roddes in rewarde for. . .	x s.	
Item, payde for theyre chargs that rode to his house ij. dayes - - - - - - -	ij s.	iiij d.
Item, payde for leydynge on lode sande - -		iiij d.
Item, paid for paper and wrtynge of rentalls -		xij d.
Item, the fee accostomed for gatheringe the rents - - - - - - - - - -	v s.	
[P. 10.] Item, gevyn to John Robynson when he receyvd the xij mens verdyt[3] - - -	xx d.	
The holle some of payments this yere -	iiij li.	vij d. ob.
and so		
Rests of thes accompts - - - - -	lxvj s.	iiij d. ob.

[1] Market stede is, of course, Market place. The market cross stood near the site of the present ornamental lamp in the Market place, at the bottom of High street. It stood on a slab of stone resting on four round pillars. See illustration in "Gatty's Hunter's Hallamshire," p. 231.

[2] The Irish cross stood at the top of Water Lane. See Gatty's Hunter, page 231.

[3] This is the verdict of the Sembly quest, mentioned in Note 3, p. 19.

whereof

There remaineth unpayde of Ellen Ule - -	ij s.	vj d.
Item, George Randall - - - - -		xv d.
Item, Willm. Dycconson - - - - -		ij d.
Item, George Morton - - - - -		iiij d.
Item, Thomas Wills - - - - -	ij s.	
Item, Thomas Phyllype - - - - -		iiij d.
Item, the Shamellhouse - - - - -	v s.	

Summa xjs. vij d.

And so

Rest all things for this yere Dyscharge - liiij s. ix d. ob.

Paid to the burgesses and put into the boxe.

[The balance remaining in John Hill's hands at the end of 1567, amounting to £5. 2s. 8½d., is not taken in account in this reckoning.]

[P. 11.] Anno 1569, Sheffield.—A Reconnynge taken the xxvijth day of October, by the burgesses there, of Nicholas Stanyforde and Fraunes Swifte, collectours of the burges Rents for the yere of our Lorde God (1568), for one holle yere end . . at Chrystynmas, anno predicto as ffolloweth:

The holle yeres Rent endyd at Chrystynmas anno 1568 - - - - - - - -	vij li.	vij s.
Wherof		
Fyrst payde to John Robynson for certen artycles which were sende from Yorke from the countye - - - - - - - -		iiij d.
Item, delyvryd into Mr. William Swyfte hands for the lottre[1] - - - - - - -	xx s.	
Item, paid for the laste payment of the taxe by John Hornor and Thomas Borowes constables wyth theyr costs - - - -	xxiij s.	
Item, gevyn to John Hornor for the caryeage of a pore man to the next constable - -		iiij d.
Item, gevyn to Roberte More to mende the townefelde yate - - - - - - -		ix d.
Item, gevyn to George Swyfte for leyinge a plancke - - - - - - - -		iij d.
Item, payde for Nycholas Marshall coote with lyninge and makyng - - - - - -	vij s.	ij d.

[1] The first State lottery was drawn in England in 1569, and our Sheffield Burgesses speculated 20s. It began to be drawn on the 11th January, 1569, at the west door of St. Paul's Cathedral, and continued day and night till the 6th May. The lottery consisted of 40,000 lots or shares at 10s. each, and promised "a great number of good prizes, as well of ready money, as of plate, and certain sorts of merchandise." The profits went for the reparation of harbours and other useful public works. See Chambers' "Book of Days," v. 1, p. 93.

Item, payde for paveinge in the towne stre' agaynst hery Swifts and so to Sleks - - xiiij s. xj d.
Item, the fees for gatheringe the Rente for this yer - - - - - - - - - v s.
Item, spent to Mr. Rodes for our costs &c - xvj d.
Item, gevyn in Rewarde to Mr Rods - - v s.
Item, gevyn to Pavy for writynge - - - iiij d.
Item, gevyn to John Robynson for takynge of the verdyt - - - - - - - - xij d.
Item, paid for the xij mens dyners by Franncs Swyfte - - - - - - - - vj s.
Item, paid to Pavye- - - v s.
Item, paid to Rychard Roberte - viij d. } v s. viij d.
Somma paym iiij li. xj s. j d.

[P. 12.] The Rents to be Received—

Thomas Phyllyps - - - iiij d.
William Sklatter - - - ij d.
Roger Buttwods - - - xx d.
George Kendall - - - ij s. vj d.
Elen Yowle - - - - ij s. vj d.
Thomas Spencer - - - - iij d.
George Morton - - - - ij s. iij d.
Thomas Wille - - - - ij s.
Thomas oots - - - - ij s. ij d.
Hughe Streye - - - - xviij d.
The Shemelle house - - - v s.
Thomas Horner - - - - v s. —xxv s. iiij d.
Delyueryd to the burgesses by the saide Nycholas Stanyforde vij s., and by F. Swyft xxij s. 8d. - - - - - - - - xxix s. viij d.
The totall some paid as apperythe - - -vij li. vi s. j d.
and so
Restyth over the Rent unreceyvyd vz. the some of xxv s. iiij d. as apperyth - - - xj d.

[P. 13.] Anno Domini, 1570.—A Reconynge taken there the xviijth day of Maye by the burgesses of Robert More and Rycharde Hale, collectors of the burges Rent for the yere begynynge at mydsomer 1569 and endynge at Christynmas anno predicto as Folloyth :—

The hole yeres Rent whyche the sayde collectours are charged withall for the yere aboue sayde- - - - - - - } vij li. vij s.
Whereof
Delyvryd the xxvjth day of Nouember and the xth of February of Good Frydaye and sem-

blye Tewesday at these iiij sundry tymes which [was] ymployde for the furnyture of the souldyers as apperyth in the latter end of this boke by the sayde collectors[1] - - v li. xxij d.

Item, paid to Jaymes Heldysworth wyffe for the xij men dyners of the semble quest beynge xiiij per man - - - - (sic) iiij s. viij d.

Item, theyre ffee for gathering the rent this yere - - - - - - - - - v s.

Item, delyveryd to Anthony Hobert the viijth daye of Maye 1570 to kepe his house bycause he had benne at colts of Rotheram where they dyed of the plagge[2] - - - - xij d.

Item, paid the xviijth daye of Maye in William Walton's parler for drynke for certen of the burgesses at the view of the bokes of the chargs of servynge the quenes hyghnes - viij d.

Summa paym payde - - - - - v li. xiij s. ij d.

These be the rentes that [be] behynde and unpayde :—

Roger Butterods - - -	iij s. iiij d.	
Ellen Yowle - - - -	ij s. vj d.	
George Randall - - -	ij s. iij d.	
George Morton - - - } Thomas Wille - - - }	vj s.	
Thomas Ootts - - -	iiij s. iiij d.	
Thomas Phyllype - - -	ij d.	
Hughe Strey - - - -	iii s.	
Roberte Roger - - -	iiij s.	
The Shameble house - -	v s.—	xxxj s. x d.

There is Receyvyd of Edward Sponer - - ij s.
and he oweth for this last yere ij s. Sum
paid and to be receyvyd - - - vij li. v s.
and so restyth clere of this Reconynge - iiij s.

[P. 14.] Received of Thomas Oots for parte of his reragge due in this yere of our Lorde 1569 ij s.

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[1] This payment was caused by the outbreak of an insurrection under the Earls of Northumberland and Westmorland, called in history the Northern Rebellion. It commenced on the 11th of November, and for a time assumed threatening proportions. We shall find in these accounts many entries relating to the soldiers raised for the Queen's army at this time. The town contributed £24. 16s. 1d. Four men were sent to York and twelve men lay for some time at Doncaster, without being called upon for more active duty.

[2] It was an ordinary precaution against the infection of the plague to shut up in their houses persons and families under the slightest suspicion of contagion. This entry shows that an allowance was made to confined persons from the common fund of the town.

Item, there remaynyth of the lviij s. whyche John Sheldon and John Hornor Received of the Quenes Majesties Coymyssyoners whiche was delyueryd to haue boughte a corslet, a pyke, a caleve' and a moryon xiij s. iiij d. pd. and allowed to the constables - - xliiij s. viij d.

Summa pagine - - xlvj s. viij d.

There Remeynyth in money the xxiiijd. daye of Maye 1570 and all thynges dyscharged - - - - - - - - l s. viij d.

whereof

Payde for mendynge of a gybbet with yron and hyngs to Anthony Hybbert - - - - xx d.

and so

Restyth the xth daye of June 1570 and put in the boxe - - - - - - - - xlix s.

[P. 15.] Anno Domini, 1570.—A Reconinge taken there the xth daye of July by the Burgesses of Thomas Skargell and James Haldsworthe collectors of the burgesses Rent for the yere beginninge at Mydsomer 1570 and endinge at Christenmas anno predicto as followeth:—

The hole yeres Rent which the said collectours are chardged withall for the yere aboue sayde, ys. - - - - - - - - - vij li. xj s.

Whereof

Paid to Hughe Sponer for gyvinge in their verdytt and wrytinge of their paynes - - ij s.

Item, the chardges of the said Hewghe and James Haldsworthe going to Dancaster - xviij d.

Item, paide the iij daye of December to the Swynnarde wiffe[1] - - - - - - iij s. iiij d.

Item, paid the xijth daye of December for vij yerds and a halfe of White Carsaye for the waytes - - - - - - - - - - x s.

Item, for lyninge to the same cootes - - xviij d.

Item, for makinge of the same cootes and ij badgeis - - - - - - - - - ij s. viij d.

Item, payd to the clarke of the markytt - - xx s.

Item, iiij mens chardges at Rotherham - - xx d.

Item, paid to James Rawson for a loade of Spyers for Roberte Taylear - - - - - ij s. v d.

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[1] The wife of the swineherd. There was a public officer to look after the pigs of the townsmen, and drive them to the common pasture and pasturable wood. (See the accounts for 1573; also Miss Toulmin Smith's paper on the Rotherham accounts, p. 19.)

Item, paid to my Lordes greave for a mersyment of Barker Powle[1] - - - - iij s. iiij d.
Somme of these chardges payd - - xlviij s. v d.

Thes be the Rentes that be behind and unpaid anno predicto.

first Roger Butterodes -	iij s. iiij d.	xvij s. viij d.
Ellen Yowle - -	ij s. vj d.	
George Kendalle - -	ij s. vj d.	
Thomas Phillippe -	iiij d.	
George Molton unpaid -	iiij s.	
the Shamble hawse -	v s.	

And

So there Restythe cleare of this yeares Reconinge - - - - - - iiij li. iiij s. xj d.

Whereof

Allowed to the said Collectors for their Fees for this Yeare - - - - - - - v s.
So Restyth clear - - - iij li. xix s. xj d.

[P. 16.] Anno Domini, 1572.—A Reconinge taken ther the x Daye of July by the burgesses, of Thomas Scargell & James Haldsworth Collectors of the burgerye for the yeare begynninge at mydsomer 1572 and endinge at Christenmas, anno predicto as Followeth

The said Collectors ar chardged withall for this yeares Rent, aboue wrytten - - vj li. xij s. vj d.

Whereof

First paid to William Slacke for gevynge the verdytt of the Sembley quest - - - vj s.
Item, to Thomas Creswicke for makinge the pyllowrye[2] - - - - - - - iiij s. vj d.
Item, paid to the said Collectors for their feoes - - - - - - - - - v s.
Item, paid to the foreman of the Quest for to amend the Pynffold - - - - - iij s. ix d.

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[1] This is the earliest mention I have met with of Barker Pool. The Pool was reconstructed or improved by Robt. Rollinson, a mercer in the Market Place, who died in 1631, and it continued to be a public reservoir till the latter part of the last century. John Wesley preached with his back against Barker's Pool wall. (See "Reminiscences of Old Sheffield," page 262.)

[2] Was this the first time Sheffield had set up a pillory? A story is told in "Chambers' Book of Days," v. 1, p. 832, of a man in Queen Elizabeth's reign who was condemned to undergo the punishment of the pillory. While doing so the platform on which he stood gave way and left him hanging by the neck in danger of his life. On release he brought an action against the town for the insufficiency of its pillory, and recovered damages. The burgesses of Sheffield may have taken the hint, and got a new one.

Item, to the Constable & iiij men for goynge to Rotherham before the Collectors - - -	ij s. vj d.
Item, paid for vij yerds and a halfe of whyte Carsay for the pypers - - - - - -	x s.
Item, paid for lyninge & makinge of the same Coates - - - - - - - - - -	iij s. viij d.
Item, to Henrie Rodes, constable, for to paye the taxe - - - - - - - - -	xlv s. iiij d.
Item, paid for his chardges and acquyttanc for the same - - - - - - - - -	x d.
Item, to the said Henrie for his chardges, and v other men goynge to Dancaster before the Comyssioners - - - - - - - -	v s. ix d.
Item, paid to Christoffer Page, for tymber towardes the makinge of the pyllowrye - -	ij s. viij d.
Item, paid to Henrie Swyfte for the dynners of the Sembley Quest, 1572 - - - - -	iiij s. iiij d.
Item, for wrytinge their verdytt - - -	xij d,
Item, for gyveinge in their verdytt - - -	xij d.
Item, paid to William Dyker and Johne Greave for makinge the nare butt in the Sembley grene[1] . - - - - - - - -	vj s. viij d.
Item, paid to William Wormalle for mending of Shere brydge the xxv daye of Juene -	ix s.
Item, paid to Bate wyffe for mosse to the same brydge - - - - - - - - -	x d.
Item, paid for v peckes of lyme - - -	x d.
Somma chardes payd, v li. xiij s. viij d.	

[P. 17.] Thes be the Rentes that be behind & unpaid for this yeare 1571 :—

Firste, Edward Sponer - -	ij s.		
Roger Butterodes - - -	iij s.	iiij d.	
Ellen Yowle - - - - -	ij s.	vj d.	
George Kendale - - -	ij s.	vj d.	xviij s. iiij d.
Thomas Phillipps - - -		iiij d.	
Uxor Morton - - - -	iij s.		(sic.)
The Shamble Howse - -	v s.		

[1] There were two butts for archery set up in the Wicker and maintained by the Burgery: the near butt; and the far butt, The entries relating to them are numerous. There was also a township bow in possession of the Burgery, which occasionally had a new string at the cost of one penny. Every parish was bound to keep up common butts. The Rotherham feoffees had charge of the butts of that town. In Toulmin Smith's "Parish," p. 520, note, it is said, "Every parish in the land is bound by law to have its butts, to be used for the wholesome recreation of the inhabitants. This which is the ancient law was re-declared by 3 Hen. VIII., c. 3, and 33 Hen. VIII., c. 9. It was one of regular articles of periodical inquiry. 'If the

So ther remaens of this yere Reconinge - vj d.
And so Delyvered by the said James Haldsworthe & Thomas Skargell unto the burgesses, die et anno predicto & putt into the pursse [1]for thes ij[1] yeres - - - - iiij li. v d.
And ther was in the pursse before the same daye anno predicto - . - xlix s. } vj li. ix s. v d.
Somma totalis Remayning in the pursse- vj li. ix s. v d.
And Received synces of Edwarde Hyll for the arrerrages of Johanne Hyll his grandfather - xxxvj s.
Somma totallis in the pursse- - - viij li. v s. v d.

[P. 18.] Anno domini, 1572.—A Reconinge taken there by the Burgesses the xvjth of Julye of Thomas Skargell and James Haldsworth collectors of the said Burgerye for the yeare begynninge at Mydsomer anno 1572 and endinge at Christenmas anno predicto as Followeth:

The said Collectors are chardged with one yeres Rent aboue wrytten - - - } vij li. xiij s. iij d.

Whereof

Firste payd to William Wormall for wallinge of Barker powle and for geyttinge the stone to the same the vth daye of August - - xv s. ij d.
Item, paid to Thomas Ffysher for leadinge ix loods of stonne to the same - - - - iij s. ix d.
Item, payd to William Dykar for feyinge of the same powle[2] - - - - - - - ij s. iiij d.
Item, paid to Roberte Grenewood for a bolt of yron and a locke to the same - - - vj d.
Item, payd to William Dyker for mending of the Butt in the Wycker - - - - xij d.
Item, to Thomas Creswyke for a shotle to Barkers Powle - - - - - - vj d.

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inhabitants of the town (parish) have made and continued their butts as they ought to do, and if they exercise themselves with the long bows in shooting at the same, and elsewhere, on the holidays and other times convenient.' The reader will remember how, at the siege of the castle, in Ivanhoe, Walter Scott, true to popular habits, and therefore using natural similies, makes 'the men complain that they can nowhere show themselves but they are the mark for as many arrows as a parish butt on a holy-day even.' "

[1] These words crossed out.

[2] Feying means cleaning out. The word is still heard occasionally in Hallamshire. These entries about Barker Pool show that it was carefully enclosed, and locked up to avoid the fouling of the water. The shuttle was for letting off the water when need required.—(See Mr. Roberts's recollections—"Old Sheffield," p. 262.)

Item, payd for vij yerds and halfe of whyte carsaye for the waytes - - - - x s.
Item, for Lyttinge of the same cootes - - xxij d.
Item, paid to Roberte Rawlinson for making of the same coats and ij badges - - - iij s. viij d.
Item, for their ffees - - - - - - v s.
Item, payd to the xij men for their Dynners of the Sembley quest and the wryter - - iiij s. iiij d.
Item, for gyvinge in their verdytt - - - xij d.
Item, for the wryter - - - - - - xij d.
Item, paid to the constables for their charges to the muster and for the wrytinge - - ij s. viij d.
Somma of the chardges payd - - lij s. ix d.

[P. 19.] Thes be the Rentes that ar unpaid for this yere 1572 Last past as followeth:

Firste William Heathecoate viij d. Item Charels Hobson xx d. Item Brokesbanckes wiffe ij s. vj d. George Kendalle ij s. vj d. Robert Rodger vj s. viij d. the sayd Robert for a garden stedd xvj d. William Dekenson for the taverne stayre iiij d. the Shamble howse v s. William Taylear xviij d. Thomas Spenser for his smethie iij d. Johanne Davye ij s. vj d.

Some Rentes benind - - - xxiiij s. xj d.
So Remes de claro of this yeres Reconinge iij li. xv s. viij d.
whereof
Paid to James Haldsworthe wiffe for the Dynner of the Burgesses being xx persones after iiij d. the persone the same daye that they made their Reconinge - - - - - vj s. viij d.
Item, paid to Richarde Robert for wrytinge this Reconinge - - - - - - - xviij d.
Item, to Nicholas Grymme for takinge paynes- iiij d.
Some - - - - - viij s. vj d.
So remens de claro of this yeres Reconinge- iij li. vij s. iij d.
And Received of Robert Rodger for arreages long synce - - - - - - - - - iij s.
And in the purse of the last yere Remens viij li. v s. v d. whereof was paid for ye taxe xlvj s. viij d. - - - - - - - vi li. xviij s. ix d.
Somme in toto - - - ix li. ix s.
Whereof taken as followeth in the other syde Robert Bawre and Robert Stannyeforth are appointed Collectors for the Burgerye for [1]the yere to come vij yeres to come[1]

[1] Words between the figures are crossed out.

[P. 20.] Taken forth of that ix li. ix s. which Remened in the foote of the last Reconinge by thands of Nicholas Stannyforthe James Haldsworth Roberte Bawre and Richard Hale and others the somme of xx s. the xix daye of November 1573 which was Delyveryd to George Moore for and concerninge the suete of the Burgerye at Yorke - - - - xx s.

Item, taken forth of the saide ix li. ix s. more the some of xxvj s. viij d. by the same burgesses to and for the use of Mendinge or Repayringe the Ladye brydge which was delivered to Roberte Stannyforth to dysburse y saye [same] - - - - - - xxvj s. viij d.

Somme - - - - xlvj s. viij d.

Whereof

Was spent and dysbursed by George Moore in the traveys and suet of Lawe at Yorke as appeareth by his bylles which are putt into the common cheste and that which he Received the some of[1] - - - - xi s. iiij d.

Item, paid by Roberte Stannyforth of that which he received firste to John Longeley the Mason for workinge at the Ladye brydge xiij s. iiij d.

Item, paid to Anthonye Hebbert and George Chalnor for workinge and makinge some of the tymber worke for the said Brydge - - xij s.

Somme totalis dysbursed - - xxxvj s. viij d.

and

So remains of that xlvj s. viij d. which was taken forth of the purse the somme of - - x s.

and

All that restsys[2] in the purse is - - vij li. xij s. iiij d.

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[1] Mr. S. O. Addy has a manuscript Account and Note book formerly belonging to William Dickenson or Dicksonne, a servant of the Earl of Shrewsbury, which throws some light on the legal proceedings here referred to. On the back of page 62 Dickenson writes:—

29 November 1579.

Note also that George more did confesse in the chairch of Sheffeld that he was fully resolued by his counsell that the waste grounde in Sheffelde did not passe by their chartre made to the Free tenants of the lord Furnyvall.

Note also that he said that for the lands in Sheffeld nowe in question before the counsull at Yorke he doubted not but that the statute of lymittation would saue thym; and yt for these buyldings which were made in Sheffeld vpon the waste grounde there within tyme of memory he doubted of thym.

From this we may infer that the suit was between the Free tenants and the Earl of Shrewsbury about the waste ground in Sheffield.

See also entries under the years 1573, 1575, and 1576.

[2] People in Sheffield still say "resses" for rests and "fisses" for fists.

[P. 21.] Apud Sheffeld. Anno Domini, 1573.—A Reconinge taken there by the Burgesses the thyrde Daye of June of Robert Bawer & Robert Stannyforth Collectors of the said Burgerye for the yeare begynnynge at Mydsommer anno 1573 and endinge at Chrytenmas anno predicto as Followeth :—

The sayd Collectors are chardged with one yeares Rent aboue wrytten - -	vij li. xv s. viij d.	
Item, they are chardged with a fyne that we had of William Elles for his Lease makinge-	xij s.	
Item, they are charged for the lyke of Henrie Burton - - - - - - - -	x s.	
Item, they are chardged with the arrerages which they received of Robert Rodger viij s. and of William Tayleor xviij d. for the yeare before. Some - - - - - - -	ix s.	vj d.
Soma totalis of their chardge - -	ix li. vij s.	ij d.
Whereof		
Payd by the sayd collectors as hereafter followeth :		
ffirst payd the xxvith day of June to James Haldsworth wyffe for the Burgesses dynners	iij s.	vj d.
Item, paid to Hughe Strea wyffe the vj daye of August for bread and ale for iij draughts which broughte tymber to the Ladye Brydge		vj d.
Item, to Robert Harteley for charying one Loode of Tymber, the same daye- - -		xx d.
Item, payd to John Smythe and Richarde Jowles for gatheringe of stone one daye -		xvj d.
Item, paid the same daye to Alexander Lume and Richarde Dune for bayringe the same stones - - - - - - - - - -		xij d.
Item, to Johne Langeley and his man the xvjth daye of Auguste for xij daies worke to the sayd Brydge - - - - - - -	xj s.	vj d.
Item, paid the same daye to James Haldsworth wyffe for a mett[1] of Lyme - - - -		xij d.
Item, to Robte Bawer for viij metts of Lyme -	viij s.	
Item, paid the xvjth of Auguste for overseeinge to the workefolke and brynginge the lyme to the Brydge - - - - - - - -	ij s.	
Item, payd for Dryncke to some of the Burgesses when they went about the Towne to look for the Townshipe harnes - - -		iiij d.
Item, paid to John Wrighte the ix daye of October for one Jacke for to serve the Towne if nede require - - - - - - -	v s.	viij d.

[1] Met = measure, bushel.

Item, paid the xxth day of October owte of the Burgery Rent to make up my Lords cheife Rent[1] - - - - - - - -	iij s.	vj d.
[P. 22.] Item, paid to Thomas Skargell for iij trees towards the mending of the sayd brydge the xxth of October - - - -	viij s.	
Item, paid for a bowe string to the townshipe bowe - - - - - - - - -		j d.
Item, paid to George More the xviijth of November for his firste goinge to Yorke aboute the suyte of the burgerye which he spent there as by his billes doth appeare -	xx s.	
Item, paid the xxj daye of December to William Wormmald and Thomas Hawke for wallinge the Litle Brydge on this syde the Ladye brydg	v s.	viij d.
Item, paid to George Moore at his secounde tyme goynge to Yorke aboute the sayd suete vj s. viij d. whereof he spent there - -	v s.	
Item, paid for the dynners of the xij men of the Sembley Quest and for puttinge their verdytt into my Lordes courte and for the wrytinge thereof the xxviij daye of Aprell 1574 - -	vij s.	ij d.
Item, paid to one for charyinge a Letter to Edlington to bringe olde Johne Shemeld to Sheffelde the xjth of Maye[2] - - -		iiij d.
Item, paid to the said Johne Shemeld for his chardges cominge to Sheffelde at the same tyme - - - - - - - - -	ij s.	
Item, paid to James Haldsworth wyffe for the Dynners of the Burgesses the xjth of Maye -	vj s.	
Item, paid to Johne Lee for a Steke for the watcheman at the Ladye Brydge the iij Daye of Ffebruarye - - - - - -		viij d.
Item, paid to the Swynnarde - - - -		xvj d.
Item, to Robert Bawer for gatheringe the Rent this yeare - - - - - - - -	v s.	
Item, paid to Richarde Robertes for wrytinge ij Rentalls - - - - - - -		viij d.
Item, paid to Anthonye Hebbert for Dressinge the Tymber towardes the mendinge of the byrdge - - - - - - - -	ij s.	
Item, paid to Nicholas Gryme for goyinge for Mr. Fenton ij soundry tymes - - -		x d.

[1] If the amount collected for the Lord's chief rent, did not yield the required £2. 15s. 2½d. it had to be made up out of the general fund.

[2] John Shemeld probably belonged to Sheffield, and had been sent on according to the Act from constable to constable.

Item, paid to Johne Lansclette for goyinge forthe of his howse - - - - - - iiij s.
Item, paid to Johne Townenend at the same tyme for goyinge forthe of the same house - - - - - - - - - vj s. viij d.
[P. 23.] Item, paid to Johne Bullas for Leadinge ij Loades of Tymber from Skargell Clause at Brightsyde for mendinge of the Ladye Brydge - - - - - - - iij s. iiij d.
Item, paid for breade and ale for the Burgesses tennantes for bayring of Tymber to the Brydge ij severall tymes - - - - - xx d.
Item, given to poore Oates wife, wyddowe, beinge verye sycke and almost famyshed for lacke of foode to her selfe and her children - - - - - - - - xvj d.
Item, paid more to Wormewell [Wormmald], for mendinge of the Little bridge, near unto the Ladye bridge - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
Item, paid to Robert Stanyforth for mendinge and makinge of a gavelocke which was broken at the Ladye Brydge when it was Repayred - - - - - - - - iiij d.
Item, paid Robert Bawer for Dryncke that he had payd for - - - - - - - vj d.
Item, paid to Nicholas Gryme for taking paynes and going for the Burgesses - - xij d.
Item, paid to Godfrey Whylde wyffe for the Dynners of the Burgesses when they made this Reconinge - - - - - - - vj s.
Item, payd to Richard Roberts for wrytinge up this Reconinge - - - - - - - xviij d.
Item, paid for Drincke at our Reconing - - iiij d.
Somme pay - - - - xviij s. vj d.
Somme totalis Dysbursed - - - vj li. xiij s. vij d.
And so resteth of this yeres Reconinge - - liij s. vij d.
Whereof

Ys unpayde in Rentes as followeth:

Rentes behind for this yeare 1573: Firste Thomas Hornour one whole yeares Rent unpaid ij s. Richard Hornour for the lyke yeres Rent iiij s. Johanne Phillipott & Byrley wyffe for the same yeares Rent x d. Robert Hanckcacke for halfe a yeres Rent xij d. Alexander Lumme one halfe yeres Rent iij d. William Heathecoate one hole yeres Rent viij d. Brokesbancke wyffe for the lyke ij s. vj d. Kendalles wyffe behind of her yeres Rent ij d. Robert Rodger for one whole yeres Rent viij s. Johanne Sawood for one yeres Rent xij d. Item,

William Dekensone for the lyke iiij d. Item, Thomas Spenser one whole yeres Rent vj d. Item, Lawraunce Shemeld his halfe yeres Rent iij d. Item, the Shamble howse v s.

Some of the Rentes unpaid - - xxvj s. vj d.

[P. 24.] And so Remeans de claro in readye money of this yeares accoumptes the some of - - - - - - - - xxvij s. j d.

And the Remenes of the Stocke as appeareth in the foote of the Laste Reconinge - vij li. xij s. iiij d.

Somme totalis Remeninge in the purse - viij li. xix s. v d.

Whereof

Was delyveryd to George Moore upon a Reconinge towards the suet at the Syttinge holden at Yorke the vijth of June, 1574 - - - xxvij s. j d.

William Skargell and Robert Stannyfforth are elected and chosen to be the rent gatherers and collectors for this yeare followinge.

Complett.

Harnes boughte of William Graye, my lordes man, for the use of the Towne Remayninge in these mens hands followinge [1]

In James Haldsworth custodie a corslett, viz., a bresteplate, a backe pece, and a head pece, and a morrys pyke head this daye the xxiiijth of Maye, 1576.

[Signed] James Hawldworth.

In William Elles handes the same daye a callyver, a burganett, a flape,[2] and a twche boxe. [Signed with a mark.]

Item, in Edward Hellyefeld handes, ij jackes and a sallett, ij stele cappes, a bawe, and a sheaffe of arrowes, and a payre of Splentes and xxvij cheynes. [Not signed.]

And he hath in money remayninge in his handes to be payd within this fourtenight xxij of Maye 1576 - - - - xij s. iiij d. payd.

And in Johne Sheldones handes - - - ij s. jd. which he hath payd the xxijth Day of Maye 1576 & was put into the pursse & he is dyschardged of all.

The sayd Edwarde Hellyefeld Received the said xij s. iiij d. at thandes of uxor Braye Thomas Clayton & Robert Bawre which were of odd Recconinges done before & nowe both he & they are dyscharged.

[1] The town is here seen buying arms and armour from the Earl of Shrewsbury's man, and taking the signatures of the burgesses into whose hands the different articles are entrusted. James Haldsworth or Hawldworth seems to have been the only one of the three able to write his name.

[2] Perhaps a thing to strike the flint with.

[P. 25.] Apud Sheffeld, 1574. 22° Maii anno Regni Regine Elizabethe xviij no. A Recconinge taken there by William Deckenson,[1] Bayliffe, & the rest of the burgesses of Roberte Stannyforth & William Skargell, collectores of the sayd Burgerye for one whole yeare begyninge at mydsomer in anno 1574 and endinge at Christenmas anno predicto as followeth:

The sayd Collectoures are chardged with one yeres Rent endyd at the daye above wrytten	vij li.	xv s. viij d.
Whereof		
Summa - - - -	vij li.	xv s. viij d.
Payd by the sayd Collectors as ffolloweth :—		
Imprimis payd for the chardges of the constable and James Haldworth goyinge to Connysbroughe to the Queene's Comyssioners -		xiij d.
Item, paid to Thomas Leaver for a speare heade, and for hookes to hange up the harnes - - - - - - - -		xx d.
Item, paid to Richard Roberts for wryting three Rentalls and other wrytting - -		xvj d.
Item, paid to Rowlenson for iij yerds and dd. of carsey[2] for the waytes - - - -	v s.	x d.
Item, delivered to Fayrebancke for iij yerds iij quarters of carsey for the same - - -	v s.	vij d.
Item, paid to Wood wiffe for dyeing of the half of the same - - - - - - -		xix d.
Item, paid to Rowlinson for making of the sayd ij Pypers' coates - - - - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
Item, paid to William Slacke the forman of ye Sembley quest for to gyve their verdytt in -		xij d.
Item, paid to William Dycker for making the buttes - - - - - - - - -	v s.	
Item, paid to Nicholas Grymme for gathering the free tennants to gether - - - -		iiij d.
Item, paid to William Wormal for settinge stones at the brydg - - - - - -	ij s.	iiij d.
Item, paid to William Skargell and Robert Stannyforth for gathering the Rents - -	v s.	
Summa payd & Dysburssed ys - -	xxiiij s.	iij d.

[1] By the term "Bayliffe," I understand William Deckenson to have been Lord Shrewsbury's Bailiff of Hallamshire, the same who kept the book quoted in note 1, p. 29. A Gilbert Deckinson was in the service of the Earl of Shrewsbury, 1585. (See Gatty's Hunter, p. 97.) A pew in Ecclesfield Church was assigned by Gilbert, Earl of Shrewsbury, to Gilbert Dickinson and his wife, in 1601. (Gatty's Hunter, p. 437.) John Deckenson was one of the wardrobe men of Lord Shrewsbury, who, on the 18th June, 1582, made an inventory of the Household Stuff at Sheffield Castle and Sheffield Lodge. (Coll. Arms, Talbot Papers, G 150.)

[2] Obsolete form of Kersey

Item, there are certen Rentes behind & not payd for this yeare 1574 as appeareth by certen bylles the somme of - - - - xlviij s. ix d.

And

So Remens de claro in readie money of this yeares accoumptes the somme of which they payd - - - - - - - - iij li. xij s. x d.

[P. 26.] Apud Sheffield 22° die Maii 1576.—A Reconinge taken there by William Deckenson the Bayliffe & the rest of the burgesses of Robert Stannyforth the Collector for the burgerye for one yere begynninge at mydsommer 1575 and endinge at Christenmas anno predicto as Followeth

The sayd collectour was chardged with one whole yeres Rent for the yeare above sayd, the sum - - - - - - - vij li. xv s. viij d.

Summa - - vij li. xv s. viij d.

Whereof

Payd to the clarke of the market - - - xij s.

Item, for so much Dancks yron for to make a yerd wand - - - - - - - - vij d.

Item, paid to William Lee for making a fleake for the watchman - - - - - - viij d.

Item, to Thomas Rease for mending the stockes[1] - - - - - - - - vj d.

Item, to William Wormall for walling at the brydg - - - - - - - - - viij d.

Item, paid the chardges of the Constable and iiij men goying to Bolton for the Subseydie[2]- ij s. x d.

Item, spent at Rotheram about the same Subseydie - - - - - - - - ij s.

Item, allowed for the gaythringe to the sayd Collector - - - - - - - - v s.

Som paid and disbursed ys - - - xxiiij s. iij d.

Item, there are certen Rentes for this yeare behind, which appeareth by the Rentalles, the somme of - - - - - - iij li. xij s. iiij d.

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[1] The stocks and pillory stood near the church gates, facing down High street. The stocks were removed into Paradise square, where the remains might be seen not many years ago. (See Reminiscences of Old Sheffield, pp. 2, 3, 64.)

[2] In the second session of Queen Elizabeth's fourth Parliament the Chancellor of the Exchequer moved, on the 10th Feb., 1575, for a subsidy, and two fifteenths and tenths, to be paid at several times. The bill was read a third time 27th Feb., and sent to the Lords. (See Commons Journals.) The town paid £4. 10s. 8d., as will be seen from a subsequent entry.

So Remmens de claro in readye money for this yeare, which the Collector payd - - - lix s. j d.

George More.

Item, George Moore were chardged with that xxvij s. j d. appearant in the boke before and received more oute of the purse by the Delyverie of the Burgesses in both the sum of iiij li. xiij s. ix d.

Whereof he payd and dysburssed aboute the chardges of the suite as appearyd his bylls the sum - lviij s. ix. d.

And so Remeyned of the sayd moneye which he payd the daye above sayd and ys Dyschardged of all his former Recconinges the som of xxxv s.

Summa totalis of all the money Remeynige ys x li. xiiij s. vij d. whereof was paid to Jo. Bower vj d. to Nicholas Gryme vj d. and Richard Roberte vj d. The rest beinge x li. xiij s. j d. was put into the purse the xvijth of Maye 1576 - - - - - - - x li. xiij. s. j d.

[P. 27.] George Moore the collector for the yeare following, 1576.

Item, payd furth of the whoole chardges before written being x li. xiij s. j d. for to paye for two taxes the one being payd the xxixth daye of Julye, 1576, xlv s. iiij d., and for the other taxe was payd the iiijth of Aprell, 1577, xlv s. iiij d. all which was payd to George Moore the daies above sayd, the which I the said George Moore acknoledge my selfe to have receaved as before - - - - iiij li. x s. viij d.

So restethe in the purse de claro of the accoumpte the juste som of - - - - iij li. ij s. v d.

Apud Sheffelde ultimo die Maii Anno Domini 1577.

A Reckonynge taken theare by William Dickensone the Bayliffe and the reste of the Burgeses of George Moore the Collector for the Burgerye for one yeare begynninge at Midsomer 1576 and endynge at Christenmes anno predicto as folowethe

The said Collector is chardged with one whole yeares rente for the yeare aboue said the somme of - - - - - iiij li. xiiij s. viij d.

Also the said Collector was chardged with the arreredges of Johne Spowner for one yeare - vj s. viij d.

Also he is chardged with the arreredges of Roberte Rodgers beinge viij s. by yeare for iij yeares ended at Christenmes Anno Domini 1575, sum - - - - -	xxiiij s.	
Also he was chardged with the arreredges of William Telier for one halfe yeares rente -		xviij d.
Uxor Mettame - - - - - - -		xx d.
Uxor Morton - - - - - - - -	ij s.	
Uxor Stes - - - - - - - -	ij s.	ij d.
Summa arreragiorum - - -	xxxviij s.	
Summa totius oneris - - -	vj li. xij s.	viij d.
Whereof		
Payde to Jhames Hauldesworthe and William Slacke for takynge of the vardit of the Sembley queste - - - - - - - -		xij d.
Item, payde to Thomas Horner for the amerceament of the pynfulde[1] - - - - -	iij s.	iiij d.
Item, payde to William Slacke to gyue to Turner for waulinge of the pynfulde - -	ij s.	
Item, payde for carryinge of Hobson to Yorke	x s.	
Item, payde to Edwarde Helyfeld for his chardges and iiij men of the Towne goinge to Cunsborre - - - - - - - - -	ij s.	iiij d.
[P. 28.] Item, payde to Jhames Hauldsworthe for ij yeardes and a quarter of narrowe redde to make the wayte of the Towne a cote of -	iiij s.	iiij d.
And for ij yeardes of whyte carsaye at xxd. the yearde - - - - - - - - -	iij s.	iiij d.
Item, payde to Pavye mane for wrytinge of payments of the Semble queste Anno Domini 1576 Jhames Hauldsworthe and William Slacke desyrynge the same - - - - - -		xij d.
Item, payde to the Quenes Commisshoners for the forfeture of not werynge of Cappes[2] -	x s.	
Item, payde to William Slacke and Jhames Hauldsworthe for Pavyes man wrytinge the paynes of the Sembley queste Anno Domini 1577 and gyuinge in ther verdit - - -	ij s.	viij d.
Item to the said Collector for getheringe of the rente - - - - - - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
Summa payde and layde oute - -	xlij s.	vj d.

[1] The pinfold has long since disappeared, but the locality where it stood is kept in memory by the name Pinfold street. At a later period a question arose between the Burgesses and the Lord of the Manor about the ownership of the pinfold.—See "Minutes," 25th June, 1827.

[2] An Act for making and wearing of hats and caps was passed 18 Dec., 1566. It was an attempt to revive the English cap trade, and enforced the wearing of hats and caps on Sundays and holidays, under a penalty of 3s. 4d. per day.

Item, ther are certen rentes behynde in the handes of theas that folowe

Inprimis in the handes of Roberte Rodgers for ij yeares and a halfe ended at Chrystenmas Anno Domini 1575, xx s., and for the rente at Chrystenmas Anno Domini 1576, iiij s.
Summa - - - - - - - - xxiiij s.

Item, in the handes of William Skargelle for the rente at Christenmas in the same yeare - vij s. vj d.

Item, in the handes of Nicholas Atkynsone for the lyke - - - - - - - - xx d.

Summa in arreredges - - xxxiij s. ij d. (sic)

Summa as well of the monaye layde oute as of the arreredges as before - - - iij li. xv s. viij d.

So remaynes de claro in redye monay for this yeare which the Collector payde - - ij li. xvij s.

So restethe in the purse de claro of thes accoumpte the iuste somme of - - viij li. xix s. v d.

Item, payd oute of the whole to Roberte Raulensone for makynge of the pypers cote - xviij d.

Item, paid to Nicholas Gryme - - - iiij d.

Item, for the settynge forthe of a lame bodye oute of the towne - - - - - - xij d.

Item, payd to George Moore for wrytinge of this accoumpte - - - - - - - iiij d.

So remenes in the purse - viij li. xvj s.

Thomas Swallowe is chosene to be Rente gatherer for this yeare folowinge.

[P. 29.] Apud Sheffield, octavo die mensis Augusti Anno Domini 1578, anno Regni Regine Elizabethe xxmo.

A Recconinge taken there of George Moore, collector, before William Deckenson the Bayliffe and the rest of the Burgesses for one whole yeare begynninge at mydsomer 1577 & Christenmas eodem anno, as Followeth :

The sayd Collector is chardged with one whoole yere rent aboue sayd with encrease of Rent of the howse wherein vidua Hale Dwelleth & the howse wherein Robert Rodger Dwelleth in toto the Somme of v li. xij s. viij d.

Also he is chardged with the arreragies of Robert Rodger for iij yeres endyd at mydsomer 1577 - - - - - - - xxiiij s.

William Skargell for Christenmas rent 1576 - vij s. vj d.

Nicholas Atkenson for the lyke - - - xx d.

Sum of the arreragies - - - xxxiij s. ijd.

Summa totalis of this chardge is vij li. v s. x d.

Inde payd as followeth

Firste unpayd of this yeres rent in the handes of George Eyre - - - - - - -		iij d.
Item of Robert Rodgeres of mydsomer rent 1577	iiij s.	
Item the arrerages of Robert Rodger for the iij yeres aforesayd - - - - - - -	xxiiij s.	
William Skargell the lyke - - - - -	vij s.	vj d.
This arrerage of William Skargell was allowed him because he went furth of his howse.		
Sum - - - - - - -	xxxv s.	ix d.
Money layd furth.		
Item, payd to Hellyfeld the Constable for the chardges of vj men being before the Commissioners for the Last of the Subsedie -	iij s.	ij d.
Item, payd to Lee for makeing the pynfolde Doore & for bordes - - - - - -		ix d.
Item, to Roberte Stanyfurth for a Locke to the Doore - - - - - - - - - -		ij d.
Item, to Slacke for a hespe and a Staple -		iij d.
Item, payd for a coate clothe for the pyper of whyte ij yerdes at xxij d. the yerd to Fraunciss Rollenson - - - - - - -	iij s.	viij d.
Item, to James Haldsworth for ij yerdes & a halfe redd clothe - - - - - - -	iiij s.	
Item, payd to Rollenson for makeing the Coate		xviij d.
[P. 30.] Item, payd to Jo. Beighton for one Daye worke of Uxor Mortones howse to meat & wages - - - - - - -		viij d.
Item, for neales - - - - - - -		j d.
Item, payd to Homffrey Bates for the tymber to the same howse - - - - - -		xij d.
Item, payd to Mr. Jackson for a Latytat[1] against Robert Rodgers - - - - - - -	v s.	x d.
Item, payd for the verdytt of the Sembley quest to James Haldsworth - - - . -		xij d.
Item, to Jo. Bawre for wrytyng the paynes -		xij d.
Item, payd to Hellyefeld to be gyven for the Trayning up of the Solgiers the xxvjth of May, 1578 - - - - - - - - - -	xvj s.	
Item, for his chardges - - - - - -		ij d.
Item, the Constable chardges for carryeing ij prysoneres to my Lord Darcy - - -		vj d.
Item, to George Tayleor for cutting the end of the Stockes & for setting on the Iron - -		j d.

[1] A Latitat was a Writ whereby all men were originally called to answer in personal actions in the King's Bench; having its name on the supposition that the defendant did lurk or lie hid somewhere outside the County of Middlesex.—*Jacob's Law Dictionary.*

Item, payd for iij quarteres of a pownde of Iron to Robert Moore - - - - - - - j d.
Item, to William Slack for makeing the Iron - ij d.
Item, gyven to Cowpers wiffe towardes the bringeing of her sonne to London - - xij d.
Item, allowed to George Moore for the geathering of the rent - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
Summa payd - - - xliij s. vij d.
Summa totalis payd with the arreragies iij li. xix s. iiijd.
And
So Restes clere of this yere accoumptes the sum of - - - - - - - iij ll. vj s. vj d.
And also received of James Haldsworth that was in his handes - - - - - - vj d.
Summa - - - iij li. vij s.
And
There Remayned in the foate of the last Reconing - - - - - - - - viij li. xvj s.
Summa totalis remayning in the pursse this viijth of August 1578 - - - - - - xij li. iij s.
And
James Haldsworth is appoynted Collector for this yere following.

[P. 31.] Burgerye ville, de Sheffeld.—Apud Sheffeld tercio Die mensis Junii anno Regni Domine nostre Elizabethe Dei gratia Anglie Frauncie et Hibernie Regine, &c. vicesimo primo, 1579.

A Recconinge taken there the Daye aboue sayd of James Haldsworth Collector for one whoole yeare begynninge at Mydsommer 1578 and ending at Christenmas eadem (sic) anno before William Dekenson Ballyve and the rest of the burgesses there as followeth:

The sayd Collector is chardged with one whoole yeares Rent of the sayd Burgery endyd at the sayd feast of Christenmas 1578, the some of - - - - - - v li. xv s. viij d.
Item, he standes chardged with xxviij s. that he received of Roberte Rodger for arreragies of Rentes the somme of - - - - - xxviij s.
Summa Totalis huius oneris - - vij li. iij s. viij d.
Whereof
firste payd by the sayd Collector to George Swyfte for a Daye work & his ij men at Sheare bryge the xxiiijth Daye of August 1578 - - - - - - - - - ij s. ij d.

Item, payd to Thomas Cooke for a fleake for the watchemen at the newe brydge - - vj d.
Item, paid for a yeard & iij quarteres of Red & for a yeard & iij quarteres whyte carsaye the xxjt. daye of December for the pyper coat - vij s.
Item, paid to Edward Hellyefelde the secconde daye of Marche for to bye Browne wiffe a coat - - - - - - - - - v s.
Item, paid to Ro. Hampshawe for mossing & Ryddging of Marmaduke Newsom howses - viij s. vj d.
[*In the margin*] Hold must pay this agayne.
Item, paid to Graye for Dressing of a Corslett[1] & a Calyver[2] the xvjth of Aprell - - - ij s. vi d.
Item, to Richard Bate for Dressing a payre of splents and a Sallett & for oyling them and the Corslett & the head pece the xviij of Aprell 1579 - - - - - - - - xx d.
Item, paid the Dykers for mending the narr butt in the Wecker - - - - - - ij s. iiij d.
Item, paid to Adam Gyll the foreman for gyveing of their verdytt at the great Leete 1579 - xij d.
Item, paid to the Collector for his Fees for geatheringe rent - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
A debt.[3] Item, the sayd Collector is to be allowed for one halfe yeres Rent of Robert Rodger which is unpayd Dewe at Christenmas Last 1578 - - - - - - - vij s.
Item, gyven to J. Pavye clark - - - - vj d.
Summa totalis payd - - - - - xl s. viij d.
And So remmeneth de claro of this yeres Recconing the somme of - - v li. iij s.
Whereof
Spent made.[3] Spent in Drinck at this Recconing this third of June 1579 - - - xij d.
So remmens in the pursse with xij li. iij s. that remayned in the Stock as apperreth in the foat of the last Recconing, the sum - - - - - - xvij li. v s.

James Haldsworth is appoynted Collector for this yeare following, 1579.

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[1] A cuirass or armour to protect the body, formerly worn by pikemen in England. In 1558 it was enacted that all persons having an income of £1000 or upwards should, with other descriptions of armour, keep forty corslets.

[2] A hand gun or musket.

[3] These words are notes in the margin.

[P. 32.] Burgery ville de Sheffeld.—Apud Sheffeld primo Die mensis Julii anno Regni Domine nostre Elizabethe Dei gratia Anglie Frauncie et Hibernie Regine fideique Defensoris xxijdo 1580

A Recconinge taken of James Haldsworth collector there for one whoole yeare begynning at mydsomer 1579 and ending at Christenmas eodem anno before William Deckenson Ballye and the rest of the Burgesses there as followeth:

First, the sayd Collector standes chardged with one whoole yeres Rent endyd at the sayd feast of Christenmas 1579 the som of -		v li. x vs. viij d.
Item, he standes chardged with one halfe yeres Rent of Robert Rodger Dewe at Christenmas 1578 as appereth in the last Recconinge	vij s.	
Summa huius oneris - - - -		vj li. ij s. viij d.
Whereof payd in chardges, viz.:		
First gyven to Anne Shawe and Anne Broxsoppe towardes their apparrell when they went to London[1] - - - - - -	x s.	
Item, to Edward Hellyefeld to sett a Roog furth of the Towne - - - - -		viij d.
Item, paid to Athye Bayliffe of Strafford Fee for the trayning of Salgyers[2] - - -	xiij s.	x d.
Item, to George Moore for minding the pynfold		iij d.
Item, to Helleyfeld to carry a lame man to the next Constable - - - - - - -		viij d.
Item, to Nicholas Atkinson for minding Wyddaw Malton house - - - - - -		vj d
Item, to Lawrence Bareley towardes the chardges to carrye his boy up to London - -	ij s.	
Item, paid to the Commissioners for hattes and cappes - - - - - - - -	vj s.	viij d.
Item, paid for a yerd and di. of Redd flammall for the pypers coat - - - - - -	xij s.	vj d.
Item, for Lyneing to the same coat - - -	ij s.	
Item, paid to Twigg for making of the said coat		xvj d.
Item, to Rollenson for a badg for the same coate - - - - - - - - - -		vj d.
Item, paid to William & Nicholas Atkinson for paving at the Newebridg & for getting of stones to the same brydg in Brighouse banck	xiiij s.	iiij d.

[1] These may have been poor women who went to London to be touched for King's evil. It was not unusual to help persons under such circumstances. The Rotherham Feoffees' accounts record several payments for this purpose. For instance, "John Copley towardes his charges to London to get help for the Kinge's evill" (1634).

[2] The Bailiff of Strafford fee, who was responsible for the training of soldiers within his jurisdiction or wapentake.

Item, paid to Johne Shemeld for leading of five loades of stone from Brighouse banck to the sayd bridg - - - - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
Item, for certen men which helped to loade the same stones for breade and ale - - -		iiij d.
Item, to Ed. Sponer for shaveling the same bridg - - - - - - - - -		ij d.
Item, to Dyker wiffe for mosse to laye the stones at the sayd bridg[1] - - - -		j d.
Item, paid for carrying of certain reoges [rogues] to Rotheram - - - -	ij s.	
Item, paid to Edward Hellyefeld to gyve Smith the pyper at his departure - - - -		xij d.
Item, paid to him for carying of ij pykers[2] to Barnsley - - - - - - - -		xvj d.
Item, to Richard Robertes wyfe for the dynners of the Sembley quest, being xv persones	v s.	
Item, to Mr. West for to take in their verdytt		xij d.
[P. 33.] Item, paid to Thomas Cooke for dytching and hedging and for making and setting a gate at the Cuttering Clough head - - - - - - - - -		xv d.
Item, to the constables when they went before the Commissioners at the muster - -		xx d.
Item, to Ed. Hillyefeld for setting a prysoner to Yorke - - - - - - - -		viij d.
Item, to him and Craven in goying to Mr. Wentworth[3] - - - - - - -		viij d.
Item, to olde Atkenson being very syck - -		xij d.
Item, to Johne Reades for making of the cook stoole [cuck stool] - - - - - -	v s.	
Item, to Johne Yates for irons at the same cuck stoole - - - - - - - - -		xij d.
Item, paid for a cheane, ij lockes and staples to the same - - - - - - - -		xiij d.
Item, paid to Edward Hellyefeld for carryeing a glasyer to Worsseppe - - - -		xiiij d.
Item, to the collector for gathering the yeres rent - - - - - - - - -	ij s.	vi d.
Summa totalis of their chardges	-iiij li.	xiiij s. viij d.

[1] The use of moss in building operations is often mentioned, both in these accounts and in those of the Feoffees of Rotherham.

[2] Pykers = tramps, vagabonds.

[3] Probably Thomas Wentworth, of Wentworth Woodhouse, grandfather of Thomas, Earl of Strafford. He was son and heir of Wm. Wentworth, who died 4th December, 1549. Thos. W. died 14th Feb., 1587, and was buried at Wentworth.

Item, delivered to the same man to paye William Graye for Dressing of harness - -		xij d.
Item, delivered more to Johanne Yates to paye for Anthonye Hollens sworde - - -	v s.	
Item, delivered the same Johanne to paye for the makeing of Richard Allen soulgiers coate		vj d.
Item, paid to William Slack for oyle to dresse the harnesse & for nayles & coarde to hang yt up - - - - - - - - -		iij d.
Item, paid for the chardges or Dynners of the Sembley quest v s. and gyveing in their verdytt xij d. and for wryting thereof xx d. -	vij s.	viij d.
Item, delivered to the connstables to bayre their chardges in caryeing the soulgiers to Dancaster - - - - - - - -	iij s.	vij d.
Item, to Edward Hellyefeld to paye for the Suppers of iij souldgiers at Thryber as they came home from Doncaster - - - -		xij d.
Item, to Thomas Cook for hedging at Cuttering Clough and for a yate to be sett there to kepe the swyne furth of the lane - - -		xij d.
[P. 36.] Item, payd to Edward Hellyefeld for Carryeing an acquyttance [receipt for money paid] twyse to Rotheham - - - -		iiij d.
Item, payd to Nicholas Atkenson and Thomas Hawk for gaytting wall stone to amende the lytle brydg at Castelgrene and for walling the same - - - - - - - -	viij s.	
Item, payd to Johanne Shemeld for Leading the same wall stone being viij leades - -	iiij s.	
Item, to Anthony Hebbert for a pece of Tymber to mende the same brydg - - -		xvj d.
Item, to Ro. Hobson for setting ij Rayles and Stoopes there at the same brydge - -		vj d.
Item, gyven to Mr. Perines men for Leading the same—to Drink - - - - -		ij d.
Item, gyven to Edward Hellyefeld for gayttinge mosse and for his paynes takeing- - -		xvj d.
Item, payd to Nicholas Atkenson and Thomas Hawk for gaytting walle stone to amende the pynfolde and mending the same - - -		xvj d.
Item, to John Shemeld for leading the same wall stone - - - - - - - -		xviij d.
Item, paid to the pavor for his paynes comeing to Sheffeld - - - - - - - -	ij s.	
Item, allowed to the sayd Collector for his Fee for geathering the Rent - - - -	ij s.	vj d.

Item, paid to the Collectores of the Taxe monney for makeing the acquyttance - - ij d.
Summa Totalis payd - - - iij li. xj s. iiij d.
And So remenes clere of the said accoumpt - lviij s. iiij d.
And Also received of Johanne Yates which was remayning in his handes - - xiiij d.
Summa Totalis - - - - - - lix s. vj d.

Whereof

Remenes unpayd of Robert Rodger as appeareth in the foat of the last Recconinge the somme of which the Collector standes chardged with xiiij s.
And So Remenes - xlv s. vj d.
And the stock that was remayninge in the pursse as appeareth in the foat of the last Recconing is - - iiij li. vij s. } vj li. xij s. vj d.

Whereof

Was payd to Johanne Bowre for wryting the Bylles of the presentmentes of the Subseydies iiij d.
And gyven to Edward Pavye - - - - iiij d.
And so Restes this xxiiijth of Maye 1581 vj li. xj s. x d.

[P. 37.] Apud Sheffeld, in Comitatu Ebor. *This Recconing is for twoo yeres.*[1]—A Recconinge taken of William Skargell Collectour for the Burgerye Rent of the Towne of Sheffeld the iijth of Julye 1583 before William Deckenson Balliffe of Sheffeld James Holdsworth William Skargell George Moore Fraunces Braye Robert Stanyefurth Richard Robertes and others as foloweth :—

The sayd Collector is chardged with twoo whoole yeres Rentes of the sayd Burgery endyd at Christenmas laste Anno Domini 1582 in anno Regni Regine Elizabethe xxvth the sum of - - - - - - - xj li. xj s. iiij d.
Item, he standes in debett for arrerages of a whoole yeres Rent of Roberte Rodgeres howse dewe at Christenmas 1579 as appereth before in the last recconing[2] - - - xiiij s.
And for the same Rodgeres Rentes dewe at Christenmas 1580[3] - - - - - xiiij s.
Summa totalis huius oneris - - xij li. v s. iiij d.
I saye Summa huius oneris[4] - xij li. v s. iiij d.

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[1] A note at the side.

[2] In the margin by this entry is "This xiiij s. was payd to Jo. Bawre, the iijth of Julye 1583 dewe at Christenmas 1579 by Rodgeres sonne."

[3] This entry is crossed out.

[4] Corrected from xij li. xix s. iiij d.

Item, payd more to William Graye for mendinge the harnes belonging to the towne - v s.
Item, gyven to Edwerd Hellyefeld for his paynes taking in over seeing the Brydg when it was amending - - - - - xij d.
Item, to Richarde Robertes for wryting the verdyct & paynes for the Sembley quest at Easter, 1580 - - - - - - xij d.
Summa totalis payd - - - - v li. xx d.
& so remains de claro - - - xxj s.
Whereof
Remmens in debett of Robert Rodger for one whoole yere Rent endyd at Christenmas 1579 xiiij s. which William Skargell the Collector for the next yeare standes chardged with. I say - - - - - - xiiij s.
So Restes vij s. And
In the Stock was as appereth in the foat of the last Recconing the some of xvij li. v s. I say xvij li. v s.
Summa totalis in the pursse - - xvij li. xij s.
The harnes being one Corslett & a spayre head remens with William Graye and the Callyver & all that belonges to that Remens in thands of John Yates constable. [P. 34.] Was payd to William Graye my Lordes Armarer the xviijth of Januarye 1580 for a Corslett price xxxiij s. iiij d. & for ij Calyvers the same daye foure markes with all their furneyteure in toto - - - - iiij li. vj s. viij d.
Item, there was payd the vjth of Sept 1580 for a Corslett & ij pykes - - - - xxxv s. viij d.
Summa payd - - - - vj li. ij s. iiij d.
And So remens in the pursse the xviijth of January 1580 [*i.e.* 1581] - - - xj li. ix s. viij d.
Whereof
Payde for the furnishinge of ii souldiors the xxviijth of January - - - iiij li. xvij s. iij d.
Taken oute of the purse the xxiij of Maye 1581 by Mr. Baylife, James Hauldsworth, Roberte Stanyforthe George Moore & Edward Helyfelde constable xlv s. iiij d. to paye for the Quenes magestes taxe and delivered to Edwerde Helyfelde [1]
And so resteth iiij li. vij s.

[1] On the 25th January, 1580-1, the third session of the 4th Parliament of Elizabeth was opened. The Chancellor of the Exchequer "very eloquently, gravely, and wisely" showed that the Queen had spent all the

[P. 35.] Apud Sheffeld, in Comitatu Ebor.—A Reconninge taken there the xxiiijth Daye of Maye anno Regni Regine Elizabethe &c. xxiijo 1581 of William Skargell Collecter of the Rentes for the Burgerye of the Towne of Sheffield, before William Dickenson Baylye James Turner James Haldsworth & George Moore and other the Burgesses of the sayde Towne of Sheffeld as followeth :—

The sayd Collector standes chardged with one whole yeares Rent endyd at the feast of Christenmas Last past 1580 as appeareth by the Rentall the sum of fyve poundes fyvetene shellinges and eight pence. I saye	v l. xv s. viij d.	
Item, he standes chardged with a Debett of xiiij s. which Roberte Rodger oweth for one whole yeares Rente Dewe at Christenmas 1579, as appeareth before in the last Reccon-inge. I saye - -- - - - -	xiiij s.	
Summa Totalis huius oneris - -	vj li. ix s. viij d.	
Whereof		
Fyrst paid to Adam Gyll for the carrying of the constable's letter to York - - - -		xiiij d.
Item, gyven to Mr. Pavye by the appointment of Mr. Bayliff and other the Burgesses -		vj d.
Item, gyven to the constables for to gyve to a poore blynd man who had the Quenes Letters patent[1] - - - - - -		vj d.
Item, paid to James Haldsworth for a yard and dd [half] of Redd flannell to make the Waytes coat agaynst Christenmas - - - -	xiiij s.	iiij d.
Item, paid to the same James for ij yerdes of whyte cotton for to Lyne the quarters of the sayd Coate - - - - - - - -		xx d.
Item, to Robert Bawer Junior for buttons, sylke facinge & Lyninge to the boddye of the said Coat - - - - - - - - -	iij s.	viij d.
Item, paid to Nicholas Hawke for makeing of the same coate - - - - - - -		xvj d.
Item, delivered to Johanne Yates to bayre the Soulgiers chardges to Dancaster - - -	v s.	

contribution last voted to her and half as much more besides. He referred to the attempts and practices of the Pope, to the late rebellion in the North parts and in Ireland, and spoke of the necessity "to have and prepare sufficient force and strength to prevent and meet with any attempt offered either at home or abroad, by sea or by land," and on these grounds asked for further supplies. The House of Commons granted one subsidy, and two-fifteenths and tenths, and was prorogued on the 24th April.

[1] That is, letters patent authorising him to beg within a given district.

Item, received of Johanne Collye[1] of the parishe of Ecclesfield Junior for a Corsselett that was parteyning to our Towne and solde for xxxij s at Easter 1583 - - - - xxxij s.

Summa totalis [crossed out]

Item, received for fleakes powles and Troysts that were occupyed at the ladye Brydge viz. of James Haldsworth iiij s. viij d. Richard Robertes xx d. Thomas Swollowe xvj d. and of Gylbert Dyckenson xiiij d. - - - viij s. xd.

And the Remayne in the pursse that was remayning upon the end and determynacion of the last accoumpt as appereth in the foote of the same Recconinge the xxiiijth of Maye 1582 - - - - - - - vj li. xj s. x d.

Summa totalis huius oneris - xx li. xviij s.

Whereof

Was payd on Chardges in Repayring and amending the ladye brydg in anno 1583 vij li. vij s. viij d.

And payd to Hellyefeld the constable for setting watch and warde the spac of ix weekes endyd in Julye 1583[2] - - - - - xiij s. iiij d.

Item, payd to[3] John Bowre in other chardges as appereth by his bylles in anno 1582 v li. xv d. and in anno 1583 iij li. xvij s. iiij d. viij li. xviij s. vij d.

And also there is unpayd of Robert Rodgers for his ij whole yeres Rentes in anno 1582 and in anno 1583 after xiiij s. per annum[4] xxviij s.

Summa payd and allocata - -xviij li. vij s. vij d.

And So Remmenes clere with iij d. ob that was fond morre in the pursse - - - - l s. viij d.

[P. 38.] Burgerie of the Towne of Sheffeld.—A Recconinge taken of Fraunces Braye Collector of all the Rentes and Revennewes belonginge to the Burgerye of Sheffeld Towne taken the xviijth of Februarye 1585 before William Deckenson Baliffe James Haldsworth Georg Moore John Sheldon Robert Stanyfourth and Dyvers otheres as followeth:

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[1] John Colley was of Southey, in par. Ecclesfield His daughter and co-heir Elizabeth married Edward Dicconson, whose d. and h. Elizabeth Dicconson married William Hoole, of Crookes.

[2] Probably in connection with the Queen of Scots, then imprisoned at Sheffield Castle. During May and June, Sir Walter Mildmay and Mr. Robert Beale were joined with the Earl of Shrewsbury, as commissioners to negotiate a treaty with the Queen of Scots, but their negotiations, like so many others, came to nothing.

[3] Corrected from "by."

[4] [In the margin.] Respited.

Firste the sayd Collector is charged with three whoole yeres Rentes endyd at Christenmas 1585, viz. for anno 1583 v li. xv s. viij d., and for 1584 v li. xv s. viij d., and for 1585 v li. xv s. viij d. in toto - - - xvij li. vij s.

Item, he is chardged with the arreragies of Robert Rodgers for ij whole yeres endyd at Christenmas 1582 as appereth in the Last recconing - - - - - - - xxviij s.

Summa totalis huius oneris - - xviij li. xv s.

Item, he is also chardged with xxx s. that he received of Thomas Hornor for a Corsselett that was the Townes - - - - - - xxx s.

Summa totalis - - - - - xx li. v s.

Whereof

Chardges in anno 1583.

First payd to William Twygg for his chardges goying with a prysoner to Yorke in anno 1583 - - - - - - - - - - x s.

Item, payd for a sheet to a wynde a poore boye that Dyed in the Towne - - - - - xij d.

Item, delivered to Ed Hellyefeld for to gyve to Wood wyfe when she and her sonne Gilbett were syck - - - - - - - - xviij d.

Item, payd to Hellyefeld the constable for carryeing a poore and lame woman by Commission to the constable of Norton - - xviij d.

Item, payd for the pypers coat at Christenmas 1583 cloth xv s. vj d. lyneing xviij d. and lyning for the boddy sylke fasing and Buttens iij s. vj d. and making xvj d. - - - - xxj s. x d.

Item, delivered to Hellyefeld to paye to Graye wiff for that her husband dyd dress the Towne harnes - - - - - - - iij s.

Item, gyven to Hyne wiff and Glover wiff when their children went up to London- - - vj s. viij d.

Item, delivered to William Newebold for to gyve [a] lame woman that had a Testimonyall for carryadg to the next constable - - ij s.

Item, payd to Nicholas Gee for makeing the Towne Buttes in the Wycker - - - - v s.

Item, the chardges of the Sembly quest at Easter 1583—Ther dynners v s. ther verdytt xij d. and for wryting ij s. - - - - - viij s.

Item, delivered to Hellyefeld to bayre his chardges to Pomfrett before the Commissioners - - - - - - - - - - ij s.

Item, delivered to the same Hellyefeld for to paye the Towne assessement to the Quenes purveyers and 1583[1] - - - - - -	v s.	
Item, given to Wyddaw White when she laye syck - - -- - - - - - -		xij d.
And the lyke to William Treppett - - -		xij d.
Item, delivered to Edward Hellyefeld for to paye to Wolker for dressing of ij Corsseletts and oyle to the same j d. - - - -	ij s.	j d.
[P. 39.] Item, delivered to the Constables to pay the chardges for vij harness men which shewed at the muster at Tynslawe mille -	ij s.	iiij d.
Item, for j lb. gonne powder - - - -		xiiij d.
Item, for dressing of iij morryons - - -		viij d.
Item, for the chardges of bothe the Constables at the same muster - - - - - -		viij d.
Item, payd for wryting their bylles there -		vj d.
Item, payd for the Collectors Fee this yeare 1583 - - - - - - - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
Chardges in anno 1584.		
Item, payd for the pypers Coate at Christenmas 1584, as for cloth xv s. lynig for quarters xviij d. lyenig of the boddye fasyng buttens and sylke iiij s. and makeing xvj d. - -	xxj s.	x d.
Item, gyven the Constobles for their chardges carryeing a roage to my Lord Darcye and from thence to Rotheram - - - -		xvj d.
Item, to Georg Hinchleff for making a iron cheane for the standded mett and mending the same mett - - - - - - -		xij d.
Item, gyven to Ringers which dyd Ring in the Quenes hollyedaye 1584[2] - - - - -		xij d.

[1] The Crown exercised an ancient right to demand provisions and transport for the Court and its servants. Hallam, the historian, writing of the first Parliament of James I., says:—"The two principal grievances were purveyance and the incidents of military tenure. The former had been restrained by no less than 36 statutes, as the Commons assert in a petition to the King; in spite of which the impressing of carts and carriages and the exaction of victuals for the King's use, at prices far below the true value, and in quantity beyond what was necessary, continued to prevail under the authority of Commissioners from the Board of Green Cloth, and was enforced in case of demur or resistance by imprisonment under their warrant. The purveyors, indeed, are described as living at free quarters upon the country, felling woods without the owners' consent, and commanding labour with little or no recompense." This royal privilege was abolished along with feudal tenures and many other burdens, in the reign of Charles II., when an excise on beer was substituted.

[2] Nov. 17th, The date of the Queen's accession, popularly known as "Queen Elizabeth's day." It was usually made a popular holiday and a day of great rejoicing.

Item, delivered to the constoble for his chardges when he went before the commissioners abaites (?) the Laye of Nawntwych - -		iiij d.
Item, payd to the constoble for to paye the chardges of them that wente to Yorke with Thomas Alcocke and Henry Morton - -	xij s.	
Item, the chardges of the Sembley quest in hoc anno 1584 - - - - - - - -	ix s.	
Item, delivered to Hellyefeld to bayre the chardges of iiij r. men that went to Rotheram ij several tymes in hoc anno 1584 aboute the Subseydie - - - - - - - -	iij s.	
Item, payd to the constoble for to paye to the Quenes Purviours in hoc anno 1584 - -	v s.	
Item, gyven to Hellyefeld for his chardges goying to my Lord Darcye aboute the same matter - - - - - - - - -		vj d.
Item, given to a poore lame woman that came from Buxestan - - - - - - -		vj d.
Item, gyven to a poore man that had a Testimoniall from the Counsell at Yorke - -		iiij d.
Item, delivered to Hellyefeld constable for to paye for the taxe in hoc anno 1584 - -	xlv s.	iiij d.
And for his acquittanc - - - - - -		iiij d.
Item, delivered to the same for to bayre his chardges and one with him to be a solgier before my Lord Darcye - - - - -		xij d.
Item, more delivered to the same Hellyefeld for and towards the chardges of setting forth Thomas Alcock as a solgier into Flanders -	xiiij s.	iiij d.
Item, gyven to John Whyte when he dyd lye sycke iij severall tymes - - - - -	vj s.	viij d.
Item, the Collectors Fee in hoc anno 1584 -	ij s.	vj d.
[P. 40.] Chardges in hoc anno 1585.		
Item, payd for the pyper Coat—as for the cloth xvj s. lyning for quarters xviij d. facynge lyening and buttons v s. x d. and makeing xvj d.	xxiij s.	iiij d.
Item, delivered the constoble for to bayre the chardges of Steaven and William Tayleor that went to York with John Hobson and Nicholas Twygg as Fellons in February 1585 - - - - - - - - -	xij s.	viij d.
Item, the Collectors Fee in hoc anno 1585 -	ij s.	vj d.
payd &c. - - - xxxviij s. vj d.		
Summa Totalis payd in theis iij yeares before wrytten as appereth by the particulers	xij li. iij s.	xj d.

examined

And So Remmenes upon the Determynacion of this accoumpt the Sum - - - viij li. xiij d.
examined

[*In the margin*] Respyted. Whereof
The sayd Collector asketh allowans that Rodgers oweth of his olde arrereages xvij s. vj d. xvij s. vj d.
and he is behinde iij halfe yeres Rentes endyd at Christenmas last 1585 - - - - xxj s.
Thomas Byrley behinde hoc toto anno - - xij d.
Sponer wiff pro dimidio anno - - - - ij s.
John Jackeson pro toto anno - - - - x d.
Nicholas Atkinson pro toto anno - - - iij s. iij d.
Oates Wiffe per annum - - - - - iiij s. iiij d.
Sum unpayd - - - - - L s.
And So Restes upon the Determynacion of this accoumptes the sum of - - - - v li. xj s. jd.
And also there was remayning on the pursse as appereth in the foote of the last reconinge - - - - - - - - - l s. viij d. ob.
Summa Totalis - - - viij li. xxj d. ob.
Whereof
Was gyven to Edward Hollyefeld for iij weekes watchinge to the Towne when the plague was in Dancaster the last yere - - - iij s. vj d.
and So Remens in the purss this xviijth of February 1585 - - - - - vij li. xviij s. iij d. ob.
[Note] Marmaduke must pay but xx s. per annum at our wyll.

[P. 41.] Burgerye of the Towne of Sheffeld.—Thacoumptes of John Sheldon and Richard Robertes Collectores for the Rent of the Burgerye of the Towne of Sheffeld for three whole yeares endyd at Christenmas 1588 anno Elizabethe Regni Regine &c xxxj mo. this xxiiijth of Januarye 1588.

Money.[1] First they are to be chardged with the money that remayned in the pursse as appereth in the foat of the last accoumpt—the sum of - - - - - vij li. xviij s. iij d. ob.
Arrerages.[1] Item, the were chardged with certen arrerages as appeareth on the last page - - - - - - - - - - l s.
Rentes.[1] Item, they are to be chardged with the Rentes of the sayd Burgery for a whole yere endyd at Christenmas 1586 - - v li. v s. viij d.
over besydes x s. that was decreased and abated in the howse that Marmaduk hath

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[1] Notes in margin.

Item, for the whole Yeres Rent of the same Burgerye at Christenmas 1587 with the encrease of the howses that Tayleor had for Rent day - - - - - - vj li. xiij s. viij d.
Item, for the whole yeres Rent of all the sayd Burgerye pro hoc toto anno 1588 - viij li. ix s. viij d.
Summa totalis huius oneris xxx li. xvij s. iij d. ob.
Whereof
Was first payd for the Taxe the xxvth of Aprell 1586 at Dancaster - - - - - - xlv s. iiij d.
and for the chardges of Arthur Cleyton the constable and iiij r. men that went with him - - - - - - - - - iiij s. viij d.
Item, payd towardes the Releife of the visyted people of Rotheram the same xxvth of Aprell [1] - - - - - - - - - iiij s.
Item, taken furth the vijth of October 1587 and delyvered to Fraunces Braye [2] to by ij corselettes and iij pykes at London - - iij li. vj s. viij d.
Item, payd for the Quenes provision the vijth of April 1586 - - - - - - - v s.
And the acquyttance and the constable his dynner - - - - - - - - vj d.
Item, the dynner for the Sembley quest, 1586 - vj s.
Item, taking in their verdytt - - - - xij d.
Item, mending the Butt in the Wycker at Easter 1586 - - - - - - - - ij s.
Item, the wryting for the Jurye - - - xvj d.
Item, gyven to a poore woman the vijth of Aprill 1586 - - - - - - - - ij s.
Item, to Richard Smith for a wynding sheet for William Parken - - - - - - - ij s.
Item, gyven to Henry Morton when he went furth of our Towne 1586 - - - - ij s.
Item, to ij workemen for mending the Sheath brydg i day, and iiij d. to Hellyefeld for helping them - - - - - - - - xx d.
Item, to Hellyefelde the constable to bayre his chardges and iiij r others goyng before the Comissioners at Rothram about the subsedy ij s. vj d.
and for the acquyttans for paying of the same - vj d.
Item, gyven to Edward Hellyefeld Junior when he went to dwell att London - - - ij s.

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[1] Rotherham was probably visited with the Plague, as Doncaster seems to have been the year before.

[2] Son of Thomas Braye, see Note 1, page 13.

Item, to Hellyefelde the constable to paye his chardges at Rotheram when he went with a precept to the high constable - - -		iiij d.
[P. 42.] Item, gyven to the Ringers on the Quene's holly daye 1586 - - - -	v s.	
Item, gyven to a poore woman that came from London that was gott with child with Ed. Bramnawe - - - - - - - -	ij s.	
Item, gyven to Arthur Cleyton to bayre his chardges at Rotheram before the Justecies -		viij d.
Item, payd to Robt Lee for goinge to my Lord Darcye in the night - - - - -		viij d.
Item, payd to the Baylye for thassement towards repyring - - - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
Item, payd to Hellyefeld for wrytinge all the names of the Brewers in the Towne - -		iiij d.
Item, payd for the pypers coat at Christenmas 1586 with the lyning facing and buttons and silk and makeing - - - - -	[1] xxij s.	ix d.
Item, payd to Wilson for mending the Stocks - - - - - - - - -		viij d.
Item, payd to Richard Shawe for making a payre of gymmers [2] for the said Stockes -		vij d.
Item, to Thomas Hornor wiffe for the Dynners of the Sembley quest anno 1587 - - -	vij s.	vj d.
Item, for the takeing in of the verdyt - -		xij d.
Item, to Jo. Bawre for wryting the said verdyt and paynes - - - - - - - -	ij s.	
Item, to Cleyton the constable for Dressing of harnes and for powder against the muster at Dancaster and other chardges - -	vij s.	ij d.
Item, gyven to William Shemelde the constoble towardes the bruyeing of a poore man that Dyed at the Coalepyttes [3] - - -	ij s.	vij d.
Item, to Laurans Fyssher for Leading woll stone with his Draught to the pynfold and Barker powle ij Dayes to meat and wages -	iiij s.	viij d.
Item, to Nicholas Gee for getting woll stone and mending the pynfold and Barker poole -	x s.	
Item, to the sayd Gee for repayring the Towne Butt in the Wycker at Easter 1587 - -		xvj d.

[1] Corrected from "xxij s. vij d."

[2] Gimmers or hinges.

[3] The use of coal was increasing at this time. From the forge it was making its way to the kitchen and the hall, though, as the workings were still near the surface, the quality of the fuel was inferior.

Item, to Beighton for making the shutle and setting in the shutle stack[1] at the Barker poole and making the pynfolde Doare - -		xx d.
Item, for boardes for the pynfold door - -		viij d.
Item, for a claspe, a hespe and a staple for the same Doore - - - - - -		viij d.
Item, gyven to the constobles William Shemeld and Malyn Stacy for setting furth Solgiers -	xiij s.	iiij d.
Item, for makinge the Stocks newe to Wilkinson - - - - - - - - -	iiij s.	x d.
Item, to Hinchcliffe for making the Jemmewes[2] hespes and staples for the said stocks - -	iij s.	
Item to Ed. Mathyeman for bringing with his draught the said stocks from his house to Sheffield - - - - - - - -		xiiij d.
Item, to the Collector his Fee for the year 1587	ij s.	vj d.
Item, gyven to Shemeld and Stacy the constables to bayre the chardges of iiij men at Rotheram befor the Commissioners about the subsidy - - - - - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
[P. 43.] Item, delivered to William Shemeld to paye towardes the chardges in setting forth a solgier - - - - - - -	ix s.	iiij d.
Item, gyven to Ed. Elles a poore boy when he went to dwell in Northforkk - - -	iij s.	iiij d.
Item, gyven to poore Bower wiff for the Relevving of her poore children - - - -		vj d.
Item, gyven to Mr. Vicker for lycens for getting xiiij o. loads of ston in his croft for the mending of Backe[3] powle & the pynfold -	ij s.	
Item, to Lawrance Hobson for bringing ij corsselettes from London - - - - - -	v s.	vj d.
Item, to Frances Braye that he payd to a porter for carrying the same corsselettes -		vj d.
Item, gyven to William Selvester[4] for to paye for a wynding sheet for John Goddeyre -		xij d.
Item, gyven towardes the keping of Jo. Hawkeshurst - - - - - - - - -	ij s.	
Item, delivered to Robert Stanyefurth for to gyve to Thomas Sodler when he was syck -		xij d.

[1] Probably a stake or piece of wood by which the shuttle was drawn up.

[2] Called "gymmers," *i.e.* hinges, in a previous entry.

[3] Refers doubtless to Barker Poole. *Backe* may have been equivalent to the old Dutch *back*, a watering trough for cattle.

[4] 1593. Feb. 29. Will of William Selvester, of Sheffield, yeoman. To be buried in the Parish Church of Sheffield. Mentions Elizabeth Selvester, my wife; Thomas Selvester, my servant; and Ann, his wife.

Item, delivered to William Skargell to gyve to a poore wench of Crosebyes going to servic[1] xij d.
Item, to Horner wiff for the Dynners of the Jury of the Sembly quest 1588 - - - vj s. viij d.
Item, putting in ther verdytt - - - - xij d.
Item, to Jo. Bowre for wryting the verdytt and paynes - - - - - - - - ij s.
Item, to Gee for repayring the Towne Butt - xvj d.
Item, delivered to Richard Bradley and Thomas Yowle the constobles the 15th of August for a Corsselett that Georg Moore should bye - xlvij s.[2] vj d.
Item, gyven to Heyward daughter in setting her furth of the Towne when she was brought hether - - - - - - - - ij s. ij d.
Item, gyven to Thomas Poole wiffe towardes her chardges in going to London to her husband the xxjth January - - - - ij s. vj d.
Item, gyven to Thomas Yowle towardes the chardges of John Whyte being then sycke - ij s.
Item, to the Collector his Fee for geathering the Rentes - - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
Item, he is to be abated the one yeres Rent of the howses William Taylear had in anno 1586 iij s.
Summa Totalis of all theis chardges xvij li. x s. vij d.
And So Remmenes clere of all this accoumpt the Sum - - - - - - xiij li. vj s. viij d. ob.
wherof
[P. 44.] *Respeted.*[3] There is yet to be Respected of the afforesyd chardges viz.
First of the olde arrerages of Robert Rodgers xvij s. vj d.
of John Jackeson in anno 1585 - - - x d.
of George Eyre for ij whole yeares endyd at Christenmas 1588 - - - - - - iij s. viij d.
Of Nicholas Atkenson his whole yere Rent 1588 iij s. iiij d.
of William Elles pro dimidio anno - - - ij s.
of John Symundes per annum - - - - vj s. viij d.
Summe Respected - xxxiiij s. And
So Remeneth upon the determinacion of this accomptes this xxiiijth January 1588 xj li. xij s. viij d. ob.
Item, the Rent of the howses that William Tayleor had at Pentecost 1587 was - - xl s. vj d.

[1] Similar assistance was given by the Feoffees of Rotherham to girls going into service. For instance: "1626. Item for 4 yards and a qr. of gray clothe for a cote for Ellen Greaves daughter being to goe to service, as shee then alleadged 7s. 6d."

[2] Corrected from "l s."

[3] Respited, *i.e.*, forgiven. Latin *respectum*.

Whereof
Was gyven back agayne to John Tayleor by the consent of the Burgesses - - xxxiij s.
Item, was payd to Malyn Stacye the Constable for that he layd downe at Conisbrough when he went with the solgiers over and besydes xiijs. iiijd. he had of John Bowre before wrytten - - - - - - - - v s. ij d.
Item, gyven to Thomas Heyward for geathering in the Tennantes of these howses that William Tayleor had - - - - - iiij d.
So Rested of that xl s. vj d. the som of - - ijs. which Richarde Robertes the Collector dyd paye this xxiiijth January 1588 the wryter hereof
Summa Totalis Remayning - - xj li. xiiij s. viij d.

[P. 45.] The accomptes of Richard Bradley and Thomas Nowle, constables, this xxiiij of January, 1588:—
First, they are to be chardged with xxiij s. ij d. that they Received of William Shemeld and Malyn Stacye the constables before then - xxiij s. ij d.
Item, they Received for the first laye or cessement that was levyed in the Towne 1588 v li. viij s. ij d.
Item, they Received of the ij leye or cesment in the Towne for anno 1588- - - xj li. xviij s. viij d.
Summa totalis - - - - xviij li. x s.
Whereof
was payd for harnes and Armour and other furnyture for solgiers and setting them forth for her Majestes service in eodem anno the some of xvi li. xij s. vj d. above and besides xj li. & odd money that was payd by Malyn Stacye & William Shemeld the constables before them in the like service. I saye payd - - - - - - - - xvj li. xij s. vj d.
& so remenes xxxvij s. vj d. which the sayd ij constables dyd paye unto Mr Bayliff & the rest of the Burgesses this xxiiij of January 1588
Summa totalis remayning of the accompt this xxiiijth of Janary 1588 - - - - xiij li. xij s. ij d.
Whereof
was gyven to the sayd ij constables for to paye for the Taxe at Rotheram this xxiiijth of January 1588 yet is in their hands - - xlv s. iiij d.
Item, gyven to Gilbert Spencer beinge verye sicke and poore - - - - - - - ij s.

Item, to Alexander Roades the Bellman - - vj d.
Sum - - - - xlvij s. x d.[1]
and So rests in the purse this xxiiij January xi li. iiij s. iiij d.

Md. that Mr. Bayliffe[2] is chosen the collector for the next yeare. and that this recconing shall be yearlye made the iij of Januarye. 1588.

And that the Rentes be payd at Pentecost and Martinmas always.

[P. 46.] Burgerie of the Towne of Sheffeld.—Thaccoumpt of William Dyckenson Bayliffe of Sheffeld Collector of the Rentes and Revennewes belonging to the sayd Burgerie for ij whole yeares endyd at Martynmas Last Anno Domini 1590 this xijth of Maye 1592

Arrerages. First the sayd Collector is to be chardged with the arrerages of Rentes that were Respected and unpaid in the Last Recconinge - - - - - - xxxiiij s.

Money. Item, he is more to be chardged with the money that remayned in the pursse as appeareth in the foate of the laste Recconing the som - - - - - - xj li. iiij s. iiij d.

Rentes. Item, he is also to be chardged with Two whoole yeares Rentes of the Tennantes as appeareth by the Rentall endyd at Martynmas Laste 1590 after viij li. ix s. viij d. per annum - - - - - xvj li. xix s. iiij d.

Summa huius oneris - - xxix li. xvij viij d.

Whereof was paid as followeth

first payd for a Taxe due to her Majestie the xxiiijth of November 1589 - - - - xlv s. iiij d.

Item, more payd for another taxe due to her Majestie the xvjth of December 1590 - - xlv s. iiij d.

Item, payd to John Longley for mending the Ladye Bridge in July 1590 - - - - xl s.

Item, to Nicholas Atkenson for mending the wall at the Sheathe Brydge 1589 - - xiij s. iiij d.

Item, to Henry Morton for helping him at the same iij daies - - - - - - xviij d.

Item, to William Skargell for leading with his Draught Synders for the same brydg iij Daies vij s.

Item, to Heathcoat man for one Day for the same - - - - - - - - - ij s. iiij d.

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[1] Corrected from "xlvij s. vj d."

[2] William Dyckenson, the Bailiff of Hallamshire, and also called below Bailiff of Sheffield. See Note 1, page 34.

Item, payd to Thomas Hornor wiffe for the Dynners of the Sembley questes at Easter 1589 v s. and anno 1590 v s., and in anno 1592 v s. iiij d. and putting in their iij verdectes and wryting their paynes, ix s. in toto - - - - - - - - - - xxiiij s. iiij d.

Item, gyven to Poole wiffe being sycke - - ij s. vj d.

Item, payd to Nicholas Gee for Repayring and makeing the Townes Butt theis iij last yeares endyd at Easter 1592 - - - - - [no amount]

Item, payd the chardges for carrying a fellon to York called Richard Garenett - - x s.

Item, payd to the constables for the chardges of them and their solgiers when they went to the muster at Laughton Moore the xxvjth June 1589 - - - - - - - - x s.

Item, payd to the sayd constoble for dressing the Townes armour - - - - - - x s.

Item, payd to Ollyver Hurst for a yeard and dimidio of redd Stammell[1] to make the pyper his coat at Christenmas 1589 - - - xiiij s. vj d.

Item, gyven to a poore woman called Jane Hall and her child when she went furth of the Towne - - - - - - - - v s.

[P. 47.] Item, payd for the Quenes provision viz anno 1589 vj s. viij d. and in anno 1590 ix s. viij d. - - - - - - - - - xvj s. iiij d.

Item, gyven to Poole wiffe when she went to London the xijth of January 1590 - - xij d.

Item, gyven to William Woodhouse a poore boye that went up to London the xvjth of March 1590 - - - - - - - xij d.

Item, payde to the Constables for the chardges of the Salgiers when my Lord dyd take the muster in the Castle fold - - - - - v s.

Item, payd to Nicholas Gee for mending and poynting the Markett Crosse and the Irysh Crosse and for Lyme for the same anno 1589 - - - - - - - - - - vj s. iij d.

Item, gyven to John Langley and Henry Raneskar in earnest when they dyd come to amend the Lady Brydg 1589 - - - xij d.

Item, payd to the constables for ther chardges and the soulgieres at Connesbrough the xviijth of June 1589 - - - - - - xx s.

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[1] Stammell, a kind of fine worsted. See the quotations in Helliwell.

Item, payd the same day to Robert Whittacker for ij wayne Loades of Lyme to poynt the Lady Brydg with iij d. for carryinge yt into the almes house - - - - - - xv. s. iij d.

Item, gyven the same day to Roose Rodger when she went to dwell in the countreyth - xviij d.

Item, paid the ijth of October 1590 to the Conn-stables for the chardges of the soulgieres at Conesbrough - - - - - - xiij s.

Item, paid to William Skargell for Leading a Lead of Sande to the Ladye Brydg - - iiij d.

Item, paid the vijth of December 1590 to Nicholas Hawke for v yeardes of graye fryse to make a Pee[1] for Henrye Steaven - - v s. x d.

Item, payd him more for halfe a yearde of whyte fustyon to lyne yt with all, vj d. for makeing of yt, xij d. - - - - - - xviij d.

Item, payd to John Greaves for his chardges carryeing the Taxes to Rotheram ij tymmes- xij d.

Item, payd to John Sheldon for a yeard and dimidio of Redd Stamnell for the pypers coat anno 1592 - - - - - - - - xiiij s.

Item, payd to Henrye Steaven for his halfe yeres wages being a Beedle for oure Towne- vj s.

Item, payd to William Atkinson for paving the Calsey agaynst Hinchcliffe house 1591- - ij s. vij d.

& to William Skargell for leading v Loades of Bulders and sand for the said Calsey - - xx d.

Item, payd for the Carryeing of Henry Morton as a prisoner to Yorke in January 1590 - vj s.

Item, payd to the Coronerye for the fee of iij persons that were slayne with the fall of ij Trees that were burned downe at my Lordes funerall the xiijth of Januarye 1590[2] - - viij s.

Nota.—That this viij s. is to be v s. agayne by the Constables of Actteclifie and Darnnell.

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[1] Dutch *pij*, *pije*, a coat or gown of coarse woollen stuff.

[2] The funeral of George, 6th Earl of Shrewsbury. For an account of the ceremony, which was performed with great pomp, see Gatty's Hunter's Hallamshire, p. 97. The monument of this earl stands against the south wall of the Shrewsbury Chapel in Sheffield Parish Church. At this period funerals often took place at night, and the trees may have been burnt to make a display. But the burning of these trees in January rather suggests the funeral pyre, which may have survived, in a degenerate form, into the 16th century. In Virgil's account of the burning of the body of Misenus (Aen. vi. 212) cypress trees are burnt with the pile. In either case, this entry is of great interest. The *bál* or funeral pile was used by the ancient Norsemen, and horses, jewels, &c., thrown in. Of course the Earl was not burnt on a pyre, but the burning of the trees may have been a survival into later times of the custom.—See Edda, 37, 38.

[P. 48.] Burgerie. Item, gyven[1] to Hugh Bamforth a poore man being syck - - xij d.
Item, payd to the Connstobles for that they payd towardes the Repayring of the Brydg at ferrye brigg the xxjth of February 1590 - xiij s. ij d.
Item, to the Collector his Fee for geathering the Rente theis ij last yeares- - - - v s.
Item, payd to Jo. Greaves and Thomas Yowle Constobles for that they had layd downe at mustares more than they received - - v s. xj d.
Item, gyven to Nicholas Atkenson more then xiij s. iiij d. he had in money for the mending of Sheath Brydg - - - - - iij s. iiij d.
Summa payd ut supra - - xix li. x s. iiij d.
Sum Restat de claro - - - x li. vij s. iiij d.

Whereof

Respected. certen Rentes unpayd, viz.
old arrerages, viz.
of Robert Rodger xvij s. vj d. of John Jackeson deceased x d. Georg Eyre ij yearss endyd at Christenmas 1588 iij s. viij d. and in ultimo anno, viz. William Elles dimidio anno ij s. George Eyre a yeare and dimidio ij s. ix d. William Rawlenson dimidio anno xij d. vidua Sponer dimidio anno iij s. iiij d. Thomas Higgen dimidio anno xiij s. Thomas Meales pro toto anno ix s. William Rodger dimidio anno vij s. Nicholas Atkenson dimidio anno xx d. Christopher Stannyefurth dimidio anno iiij s. Christopher Byrley dimidio anno v s. vj d.
Summa respecta - iij li. xiij s. iij d.
and So Remmenes in ready money - vj li. xiiij s. j d.

Whereof

ys taken furth to have imprest[2] towardes the amending of the Ladye Brydg this xijth of Maye 1592 - - - - - - - - liij s. ix d.
and So Remenes in the pursse eodem die iiij li. iiij d.
Memorandum. George Moore is chosen Collector for this yeare followeing 1592.

[P. 49] Burgerie of the Towne of Sheffeld.—Thaccoumptes of John[3] Bawre made after his death and whoo was Deputie Collector of the Burgerie Rentes unto George Moore for one whole yeare endyd at Martynmas 1592 this xxiijth of Maye 1593, viz.:—

[1] Corrected from "paid."

[2] Cotgrave, 1632, has "*imprestance*, prest or imprest money, receiued and to be imployed for another." It really means to have in readiness.

[3] Corrected from "George."

Arrerages. First, the sayd Accoumptante is to be chardged with the olde Arrerages as appereth on the Last page xxij s. And the like arrerages of Rentes in anno 1590, lj s. iij d. in toto - - - - - - iij li. xiij s. iij d.

Redditus. Item, he is chardged with one whole yeares Rent of the sayd Burgerie endyd at Martynmas 1592 as appereth by the Rentall the som of - - - viij li. ix s. viij d.

Summa oneris - - - - xij li. ij s. xj d.

Whereof

First payd to John Lawe for mending of the Tymber work at the Ladye Brydge hoc anno 1592 - - - - - - - - - xj s.

Item, for carryeing of a letter to fetche Lawe - iiij d.

Item, for bread and ale to the men that dyd helpe to lay in the Tymber - - - - vj d.

Item, paid to Nicholas Gee at the same tyme for setting the same Tymber with stone under the Brydge - - - - - xxxiiij s.

Item, to Grace Craven when she went to service ij s.

Item, gyven to a lame woman that came from Richemond - - - - - - iiij d.

Item, gyven to the Constables to pay to Richard Allen and Henrie Morton for carryeing the armor to Rotheram - - - - - ij s.

Item, delivered to the Connstables towardes the paying of the chardges in sending Henry Morton to the gaole - - - - - vj s.

Item, delivered to the sayd Connstables towardes the payeing of the Taxe hoc anno 1592 xxxix s. iiij d.

Item, delivered to Thomas Yowle the sayd Constable to bayre his chardges to the Cessions at Dancaster - - - - - ij s.

Item, delivered to the sayd Yowle to bayre his chardges when he went to Yorke to the gaole delyverie for to have Morton to have ben kept there - - - - - - - vj s. viij d.

Item, delivered to William Bate the other constable to pervy for the Quenes provision - vj s. viij d.

Item, to Yowle for to bayre his chardges in carryeing a young man to Mr. Rookesbie who was suspected of papistre[1] - - - xij d.

[1] There was much activity at this time in enforcing the laws against Roman Catholics, See letters in Lodge's Illustrations of British History, vol. 2, pp. 371-376, giving an account of proceedings by Lord Shrewsbury against Lady Constance Foljambe of Tupton, the Fitzherberts of Padley, and others.

Item, the 30 of March 1592 for the chardges of the Sembley quest viz. their Dynners v s. iiij d. putting in the verdyctt xij d. and wrytting the paynes ii s. - - - - - viij s. iiij d.

[P. 50.] Item, delivered to Thomas Yowle to bayre his chardges to York when he went with a papist vij s. and for a halberd iij s. - x s.

Item, payd to Nicholas Gee for the Repayring of the Towne buttes hoc anno - - - xvj d.

Item, to Thomas Wilson & George Ludg for Removeing the pynfolde and stockes & repayring the Cucke stoole [1] - - - - iij s.

Item, paid for a pec of Tymbr towerdes the mending of the said Cuck stoole - - - xij d.

Item, to George Ludge for getting wallestone to the pynfolde iij dayes - - - - xviij d.

Item, to Richard Bylcliffe for getting the lyk wolestone vij Dayes at vj d. the day - - iij s. vj d.

Item, to iij laborers for blending Lyme and sande for the pynfolde wolle and carryeing the same from the ladye brydge one day at iij d. a person - - - - - - - ix d.

Item, paid to Nicholas Gee for xix Daies work in walling the sayd pynfold at ix d. the day to meat and wages - - - - - xiiij s. iij d.

Item, for the Collector his Fee in geathring the Rent - - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.

Sum payd - - vij li. xviij s. ij d.

Respected.

Item, the sayd Accoumptant is to be allowed for arrerages not by him received, viz. in anno 1590 xxiij s. ix d.
and in arrerages of Rentes hoc anno 1592 - xlvij s. vj d.
and of old arrerages before - - - - xxij s.

Summa totalis allocata - - xij li. xj s. v d.

So appereth that the sayd Collector payd furth more than he received - - - - - viij s. vj d.

The iiij li. iiij d. that was in the pursse as appereth in the foat of William Deckenson recconing anno 1590 is followeing in this next accoumpt of George More, as followeth :—

[P. 51.] Sheffeld Burgerie.—Thaccoumptes of George More for the sayd Burgerie for one whole yeare endyd at Martynmas 1592 as followeth this xxiijth of Maye 1593 :—

Arrerages. Item, the sayd Collector is to be chardged with the olde arrerages of Rentes

[1] Parishes were liable to prosecution if they had no tumbrill and cucking stool. See Toulmin Smith's "Parish," p. 517 note.

as appereth in anno 1590, xxij s. and the like arrerages in anno 1590, (sic) xxiij s. ix d., and in arrerages in anno 1592, xlvij s. vj d. - iiij li. xiij s. iij d.

Redditus. Item, he is chardged with one whole yeares Rente endyd at Martynmas 1592 - - - - - - - viij li. ix s. viij d.

Money. Item, he is to be chardged with the money that was in the pursse at the Recconing in anno 1590 - - - - - iiij li. iiij d.

Summa huius oneris - - - xvij li. iij s. iij d.

First, payd for settinge furth of a Solgyer into Fraunce - - - - - - - - xlvj s. vj d.

The chardges of Trayned Salgiers at Rotherham - - - - - - - - - - x s.

Item, payd towards the chardges of Morten carrying to Yorke - - - - - vj s.

Item, layd downe towardes the paying of the taxe - - - - - - - - - vj s. viij d.

Item, gyven to the constables for the conveying of a mayde forth of the Towne that came from London in tyme of the plag - - viij d.

Item, to the constables for the Quenes majestie provisions - - - - - - vj s. viij d.

Item, to Nicholas Gee for mending the Butt 1591 - - - - - - - - - - xvj d.

Item, to James Rawson for leading Tymbre for the Sheath brydg - - - - - - iij s. iiij d.

Item, to Robert Heannes for iij Daies and a dimidio in mending the sayd brydg at ix d. the day - - - - - - - - ij s. iiij d.

Item, to Jo. Hawley for the lyk iij Dayes and dimidio - - - - - - - - ij s. xj d.

Item, for bread and ale at the horssing of the Tymber - - - - - - - - iiij d.

Item, geven to Thomas Yowle for his paynes in gaytting laborers for the horssing of the Tymber - - - - - - - - - iij d.

Item, for sending of certen fellons to Yorke - xviij s.

Item, gyven to a Solgier called Milehowse whoo went to Fraunce when he came home that went for Sheffeld Ecclesfeld and Bradfeld vi s. viij d.

Item, to William Skargell that he payd at Yorke for a Taxe 1592 - - - - - xlv s. iiij d.

Item, for our parte of the acquyttance - - ij d.

Item, paid to William Shemeld for leading of xxxvj loads of ston from the Delfe in the parke to the lady brydg - - - - - xij s.

Item, more payd to him for leading iiij loades of stone to the church walle - - - viij d.
Item, paid to Wormall for ij Dayes walling there and getting the stone at viij d. the day (sic) xxij d.
Item, to another that helped him at the same tyme - - - - - - - - - xij d.
Item, gyven to the xij men of the Sembley quest towardes their Dynneres - - - iiij s.
Item, to Thomas Byrley for goying to Wakefeld for the Coroner the xxth May, 1593 - ijs.
[P. 52.] Item, gyven to Percivall Woodroff beinge the Coroner towardes his chardges in comeing to burye olde Jugle wiffe whoo was slayne with darth [1] - - - - - - v s.
Item, allowed unto John Bawer as appeareth in the foot of the last Reconning - - [2] viij s. vj d.
Item, allowed to the sayd Collector for his Fee - - - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
Summa payd - - - - ix li. xiiij s. viij d.
Item, gyven to Byrley for to fetch Mr. Law - xij d.

Respected. Item, the sayd Collector is to be allowed and respected for Rentes unpayed viz of olde arrerages before anno 1590, viz:

1588.—Robert Rodger xvij s. vj d. Jo. Jackson x d. Georg Eyre 1588 iij s. viij d. 22s. 1590.—more of Georg Eyre a yeare and dimidio 1590 ij s. ix d. p. Thomas Higgen dimidio a yeare vj s. vj d. p. Thomas Heales a yeare 1590 ix s. 18s. 3d. 1592.—William Elles pro toto anno iiij s. p. Marmaduk Newson for part of that yeare viij s. vj d. p. Thomas Higgen 1592 that yeare xiijs. p. Thomas Meales for that yeare 1592 ix s. p. Christopher Byrley pro dimidio anno v s. vj d. 40s. p. William Elles pro toto anno iiij s. p. Robert Lee dimidio a yeare xij d. p. George Judge part of that yeare vj d. p. Marmaduk Newson part of that yeare 1592 ix s. p. Thomas Higgen dimidio a yeare vj s. vj d. p. Thomas Meales pro toto anno 1592 ix s. p. William Rodger dimidio a yeare vij s. p. James Fenton dimidio a yeare ij s. vj d. 20 d. ex. Nicholas Atkenson that yeare iij s. iiij d. p. Thomas Bareley that half yeare v s. p. John Tayleor that halfe yeare ij s. vj d. 50s. 4d.

6. 10. 7. Summa Respected - vj li. x s. vij d.
17 s.[3] and so Remayneth over and besydes theis allowans - - - - xvij s.

[1] The meaning of *darth* is dearness, scarcity. I suppose she died of want.
[2] Corrected from ix s. [3] Corrected from 18s.

Was payd to Lawranc Burton one of the constables the last yeare 1592, vj s. for the dischardging of his byll of chardges for the fellons that were sent to Yorke over and besides xviij s. that he had before - - - - vj s. vj d.

Item, paid to Yowle the other constable for the dischardging of his byll of chardges that was about Morton - - - - - - vj s. vj d.

Item, payd to William Slack and William Ellyeott the constables this yeare for the chardges for buryeing old Jugle wiffe whoo was slayne - - - - - - - ij s. viij d.

Item, gyven to the Bellman boye - - - iiij d.

So Remayneth in the pursse - - xij d.

John Wright is collector for the next yeare.

[P. 53.] The Burgerie of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accoumptes of John Wright Collector for the sayd Burgerie for two whole yeares endyd at Martynmas last 1594 this xviijth of June 1595 as followeth

Arrerages. First the sayd Collector is to be chardged with the arrerages of Rentes endyd at Martynmas 1592 as appeareth by the particulars in the last accompt the som - vj li. x s. vij d.

Redditus. Item, he is to be chardged with the sayd Rentes for ij whoole yeares viz. at Pentecost, 1593, 4 li. 4 s. 10 d. and at Martynmas 1593 4 li. 4 s. 10 d. and at Pentecost 1594 4 li. 4 s. 10 d. and at Martynmas 1594 4 li. 4 s. 10 d. - - - - - - xvj li. xix s. iiij d.

Money. Item, he is also to be chardged with the money that remayned in the pursse at the last reconing - - - - - - - xij d.

Summa Totalis - - xxiij li. x s. xj d.

Whereof payd as followeth

Payementes. First payd to the coroner for his fee or paynes for the death of that man who fellonyouslie kylled himself by cuttinge of his owne throat at Jo. Creswickes - - vij s.

Taxe, 1593. Item, payd to William Skargell and William Ellyeott for ij Taxes in anno 1593 with xij d. for their chardges - iiij li. xj s.

Item, payd to the sayd Constables for mending the stockes - - - - - - - - ij s. ij d.

Item, to the sayd William Skargell constable for ij lockes - - - - - - - - vj s. viij d.

Item, to the sayd constables for the chardges in keeping iij theaves and carrying them into Nottinghamshire - - - - - - - xx s.
Item, payd for the coat of Michael Stones the wayte and for buttons fasinge and lyninge - - - - - - - - - xviij s.
Item, delivered to the Constable at the death of Nicholas Twigg boy that was drowned - vij s.
Item, payd for the dynners of the Sembley quest the first yeare and for wrytinges - viijs. iiij d.
Item to the Constable for the Quenes provision for Sheffield - - - - - - - vj s. viij d.
[1594.] Item, payd to Thomas Yowle and Lawronc Burton constables 1594 for the solegieres - - - - - - - - viij s.
Item, to Nicholas Gee for mending the Butt in the Wicker for ij yeares - - - - - ij s. viij d.
Item, payd for carryeing a Lame man to the next constables - - - - - - - vj d.
Item, paid to Lawranc Burton for to pay for the maymed Solgiers - - - - - - xviij d.
Item, payd to Thomas Yowle the constable for carryeing to Jo. Damyell alias hollinsham to Yorke sent by my Lord Darcye - - - xij s.
Item, also payd to the constable for to pay towardes the Repayring of a brydg and for Lame Solgiers - - - - - - - xij s.
Item, to Thomas Yowle for the Quenes provision in anno 1594 - - - - - - vj s. viij d.
Item, payd to the sayd Yowle and L. Burton for ij Taxes in anno 1594 with 12 d. for acquyttances - - - - - - - iiij li. xj s.
Item, for the pypers coat and facing buttons and lyening 1594 - - - - - - - xviij s. viij d.
Item, paid to Yowle for carryinge a theife to Yorke whoo dyd steale ij heafers from Sawersbie of Brighowses - - - - - - viij d.
Item, to the sayd Yowle for carrying Hepwood destracted [demented] forth of the towne - xij d.
Item, gyven to the sayd Yowle for to gyve to same man - - - - - - - - vj d.
Item, payd for the Dynners of the Sembley quest hoc anno 1595 and wryting - - viij s. x d.
Item, payd to Nicholas Gee for mending the Buttes 1595 - - - - - - - - xvj d.
Item, payd to William Creswick for that which was behind in Georg Moore his accompt - iij s. vij d.

Item, paid to Colborne for goyinge for the coroner to enquyre of the death of Nicholas Harteley his wiff - - - - - ij s.
Item, paid to Thomas Skynner and Hugh Robertes constables for a lock for the stockes xij d.
Item, allowed to the sayd Collector for his ij yeares Fee—viz. 2 s. 6 d. per annum - - v s.
Item, gyven and abated by the Burgesses to Thomas Higgen of his old arrerages v s., and to Thomas Meales of his arrerages 4 s. 6 d. ix s. vj d.
Summa totalis payd and Disburssed xviij li. vj d.
[P. 54.] And so Remenes de claro for the sayd ij yeres - - - - - - - v li. x s. v d.
Inde
Yet to be Respected of the old arrerages viz. :—
[*Memorandum, that when Rogers payeth he must have abated* viij s. ix d.]
1588.—Of Robert Rodgers xvij s. vj d. Jo. Jackson, x d. George Eyre iij s. viij d. 1590.—More of the sayd George Eyre ij s. ix d. 1592.—Nicholas Atkenson xx d.—xxvj s. v d. 1594.—p. Thomas Byrley xij d. p. William Robertes v d. p. Vidua Bat. [*Half crossed out.*] p. James Fenton ij s. vj d. p. Nicholas Atkenson xx d. [*At Martynmas* 1594.] p. Thomas Bareley v s. p. Christopher Byrley v s. vj d. John Taylear ij s. vj d.—xviij s. vij d.
So Remens - - - - - - iij li. v s. v d.
Whereof
Was payd to Batley wiff for and towardes the keping of Jo. Sponers childe xj s. j d. besides xvj d. that William Newbold payd her at the same tyme that was left in her handes and xx d. of her owne rent and vij s. iij d. that she is yet to have which remayneth in the handes of Lawronc Burton late constable. I say payd of this chardge - - - - xj s. j d.
So Restes in the pursse- - - - lv s.
With viij d. that was in the pursse.
Robert Rollinson is appoynted Collector for the next yeare.

[P. 55.] The Burgerie of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accoumptes of Robert Rollenson Collector there taken this 24 June 1596 for the Rentes and Revennewes belonging to the sayd Burgerie for a whole yeare endyd at Martynmas last 1595.

Arrerages. First the sayd Collector is to be chardged with the arrerages depending unpayd in the foat of the last Reconing - - xlv s.

Rent. Item, he is to be chardged with the whole yeares Rent endyd at Martynmas 1595 as appeareth by the Rentall wrytten in the latter end of this booke x sh. xij d. gotten by exanging and casting of the Rentall this yeare whych before was not chardged viij li. x s. viij d.

Money. Item, he is to be chardged with lv s. that was Remayning in the pursse at the Last recconing - - - - - - lv s.

Summa totalis - - xiij li. x s. viij d.

Whereof paid as followethe

Paymentes. First paid unto Thomas Skinner for the viewe of Armour to Mr. Peres Stanley viij s.

Item, paid unto Kellam Holmer the fourth of July 1595 for dressinge of the towne Armour xv s.

Payd unto Hugh Robertes the xjth of July for a poore man carried in a cart - - - xij d.

Item, paid unto Thomas Skinner the xixth of October 1595 for the prouision of the Queene vj s. viij d.

Item, paid unto John Staniforth for ij swordes duble hilted the xxth of September - - xiij s.

Item, paid for a Corde - - - - - j d.

Item, paid unto Hugh Robertes the xxvjth of October 1595 to pay the Tax with - - xlv s. iiij d.

Item, delivered to Thomas Skinner the xxviijth of October for carying of Bryan Creswicke and Richard Webster to Yorke - - - vj s.

Item, paid the xiijth of December for a yeard and a halfe of Redd Clothe - - - - xiij s. iiij d.

Item, paid for taffatie[1] Silke buttons and Cotton iiij s. iij d.

Item, paid to Hugh Roberts for carrying of a poore man to the next Constable - - viij d.

Item, paid unto William Bate and Thomas Robinson the xjth of January for the maymed souldiers - - - - - - - xviij d.

Item, paid to Hugh Robertes the 12th of February upon his accomptes - - - - xij d.

Item, payd unto Hugh Robertes the 14th of Februarie 1595 to pay the Watchmen with when the Gipsees were in the towne[2] - - ij s.

Item, paid for mending of the stockes and for a staple - - - - - - - v d.

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[1] "A thin, glossy silk stuff, with wavy lustre."—*Skeat.*

[2] By the Statute 22 Hen. VIII., c. 10, Gipsies were forbidden to enter the realm. It was charged against them that they were fortune-tellers, robbers, and felons.

Item paid unto Nicholas Gee the xth of Aprill 1596 for mending of the Butt - - - xvj d.
Item, paid unto William Newboult the xvjth of Aprill 1596 to pay for the dinners of the Semblie quest and other Charges - - viij s. ij d.
Item, paid unto Thomas Robinson and William Bate for maymed souldieres the xixth of Aprill xviij d.
[P. 60.] (Nos. 56-59 omitted.)—Item, paid unto vidua Staniforth the xxth of Aprill 1596 for a Chyst to lye the towne Armour in - xiij s. iiij d.
Item, paid unto Raphe Crauen and William Brigges for carriage of two poore men the vth of May - - - - - - - - viij d.
Item, paid for a poore woman borne of a barrowe[1] - - - - - - - - ij d.
Item, paid for a box a locke & a cheyne for the Towne Charter[2] - - - - - - - xij d.
Item, paid unto Thomas Lee the xxiiijth of May 1596 for four staples two lockes and haspes - - - - - - - - - xx d.
Item, Thomas White Rent due at Pentecost 1595 that we rebated of his Rent - - - iiij s. vj d.
Item, to the Collector for gatheringe of the Rentes - - - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
Summa Totalis paid and disbursed - vij li. xiij s. j d.
And so remeines de claro of the said yeare xxxvj s.[3]

Yet to be respected of the ould arrerages.

[*Note interlined.*] William Bate and William Spooner hath given their wordes for William Rogers arrerage to be paid at Michaelmas next being the some of viij s. ix d.

1588.—Of Robert Rogeres xvij s. vj d. Of John Jackson x d. 1590.—George Eyre v s. vj d. 1592.—Nicholas Atkinson xx d. 1594.—John Teyler ij s. iij d. 1595.—Nichalas Atkinson xx d. 1595.—Thomas Barclay v s.

Summa - - - - - - - - xxxiiij s. viij d.
Soe remeines in the purse - - - iiij li. iij s.

John Greaves is appointed Collector for the next yeare.

[P. 61.] The burgerie of the towne of Sheffeld.—The accomptes of John Greaves Collector there taken the xvijth

[1] Carried on a stretcher. In Coverdale's trans. of *Acts* v. 15, we have: "They brought out the sycke . . . . . and layed them vpon beddes and barowes."

[2] Furnival's charter to his free tenants. The entry is an evidence of the care with which this important document was preserved.

[3] "vij d." crossed out.

Day of May Anno Domini 1597 for the rentes and revenewes belonginge to the said burgerie for a whole yeare ended at Martynmas last 1596.

Arrerages.—First the said Collector is to be chardged with the arrerages dependinge in the foote of the last reckninge - - - xxxiiij s. viij d.

Rent. Item, he is to be charged with the whole yeares rent ended at Martynmas last 1596 as appeareth by the rentall written in the latter end of this booke - - - viij li. x s. viij d.

Money. Item, he is to be charged with iiij li. iij s. that was remayninge in the purse at the last reckninge - - - - - - iiij li. iij s.

Item, he is to be charged with vj s. iiij d. that remayned in the purse of repayringe the shere bridge - - - - - - vj s. iiij d.

Summa totalis - xiiij li. xiiij s. viij d.

Whereof paid as followeth

Paymentes. First paid unto Mr. Sampson the 2 day of July 1596 for makinge up the last yeres accomptes - - - - - - xij d.

Item, paid the same day for fox headdes to Byrley[1] - - - - - - - xvj d.

Item, paid the same tyme to the church wardens for the maymed soldiers - - - iij s. iiij d.

Item, to William Brigges for a pore man - iiij d.

Item, paid more to William Brigges for a pore wench - - - - - - - vij d.

Item, paid to William Brigges for their Dinners at the subsidie - - - - - - xvj d.

Item, paid to Edward Eyre and Richard Tayler 19 of September 1596 for the half yere for maymed soldiers - - - - - - iiij s. v d.

Item, paid for pavinge the lady bridge and for carrienge of stone sand and other worke - xlij s. viij d.

Item, paid 4 day of September 1596 to the Commissioners for cappes - - - - vij s. vj d.

Item, paid to William Brigges 29 of October 1596 for charges at Rotherham at a muster there - - - - - - - - vj s.

Item, paid for the Queenes provision to the highe constables - - - - - - vj s. viij d.

Item, paid for 2 acquittances the same tyme - viij d.

[1] Payments by Churchwardens and other local authorities for fox heads are constantly found in old accounts.

Item, paid the same tyme beinge the 17th of November for the towne taste [tax] [1] - -	xlv s.	iiij d.
Item, paid more to the Constables of their accomptes - - - - - - - -		xvj d.
Item, paid to the Constables for 2 pore folke caried in a Cart in December last - -	ij s.	
Item, paid for the pypers coate in December last - - - - - - - - -	xvij s.	vij d.
Item, paid to the Constables 14 of Januarie 1596 - - - - - - - - - -	iiij s.	
Item, paid to Nicholas Spooner for wrytinge -		iij d.
[P. 62] Item, paid to the Constables when they went to a Justice with Sowood wyfe -		xij d.
Item, paid to William Hale for his daughter in Aprill last - - - - - - - -		xij d.
Item, paid to William Spooner and Roberte Pearson 15 of Aprill last for charges of Henry Morton and others in the stockes -		vij d.
Item, paid to Roberte Rolynson ij of Aprill last for charges and wrytinge at Aston - -		xvj d.
Item, the Collector is to be allowed for gatheringe of rentes the last yere - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
Item, the Collector is to be allowed for William Roger his arrerages abated at the last reckninge - - - - - - - -	viij s.	ix d.
Item, paid to a pore boy 10 of December last -		ij d.
Item, paid of money taken furth of the pursse to William [2] Craven and William Brigges constables xxvjth of October 1596 which the made accompt of - - - - - - -	iij li.	
Item, more paid and taken out of the purse for the maymed soldiers which was delivered to Richard Tayler xviijth of Aprill last - -	iij s.	vj d.
Item, paid to Mr. Kellam [3] for dressinge of harnes two yeres ended at Pentecost last 1597	iiij s.	
Item, paid for repairinge of the Church walles 18 of Aprill last - - - - - - -		xviij d.
Item, paid and taken furth of the purse for carrienge William Smith to York and for other charges 25 of Aprill last 1597 - -	xix s.	iij d.
Summa totalis paid and disbursed- -	xij li. x s.	xj d.
And so remaynes de claro of the said yere	xliij s.	ix d.

[1] According to Skeat, *tax*, a rate imposed upon property, and *taste*, nice perception, are both derived from Lat. *tactare*, for *tangere*. This word is therefore of no little philological interest.

[2] Crossed out.

[3] Probably Kellam Holmer.

Arrerages.—Yet to be respected of the ould arrerages.

1588.—Of John Jackson x d. 1590.—Of George Eyre v s. 1592.—Of Nicholas Atkinson ij s. vj d. 1594.—John Tayler in John Wright charge ij s. vj d. 1596.—William Ellis ij s. Thomas Barlowe v s. Christopher Byrley for one whole yere ended at Martynmas 1596 xj s.

Summa totalis - - - - -	xxviij s.	x d.
So remaynes in the purse - - -	xiiij s.	x d.
Whereof paid to Sir Hill[1] for makinge up of the last accomptes - - - - - - -		xij d.
So remaines de claro in the purse - - -	xiij s.	x d.

Thomas Creswick is appointed Collector for this yeare 1597.

[P. 63.] The burgerie of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The accomptes of Thomas Creswicke collector there taken the xth daie of July Anno Domini 1598 for the Rentes and revenues belonginge to the said Burgery for a whole yere ended at Martlemas last 1597.

Arrerages. First the said collector is to be charged with the arrerages dependinge in the foot of the last reckeninge - - - -	xxviij s.	x d.
Rent. Item, he is to be charged with the whole yeres rent ended at Martlemas last 1597 as appeareth by the Rentall wrytin in the latter end of this Booke - - - - -	viij li. x s.	viij d.
Money. Item, he is to be charged with xiiij s. x d. that was remayning in the pursse at the last reckeninge - - - - - - - -	xiij s.	x d.
Summa totalis - - - - -	x li. xiij s.	iiij d.

Whereof paid as followeth—

Payments. First paid to Roberte Pearson and William Spowner constables for the settinge forth of William Unwen - - - - -	xv s.	
Item, paid for the repayring of the pillorye and stockes - - - - - - - -	xvj s.	v d.
Item, paid to Mr. Wilbor for the maymed souldiors - - - - - - - -	ij s.	ij d.
Item, paid to Thomas Hodgson for going for the crowner at the death of a child which was still-borne at Vidua Shawt house - -		xvj d.
Item, geven to William England pore and sicke		xij d.
Item, geven to a pore man, one Richard Hamon, and to the Gipsies[2] - - - - - -		vj d.

[1] Sir John Hill, one of the Assistant Ministers.

[2] To this day goods are bought from gipsies as a propitiation, their evil wishes being feared.—Addy's *Household Tales*, &c., p. 93.

Item, given to John Bland for watching with John Woodehead in his sickness - -		iiij d.
Item, paid to Arthur Clayton churche wardon to paye for the maymed souldiors - -	ij s.	ij d.
Item, paid to William Spowner constable the xjth daie of November which he paid to Mr. Wilbor for purveyor money - - -	vj s.	viij d.
Item, paid the xxth daie of November to the said two constables for their charges and two men goinge with them to the sessions at Rotheram and for a quyttance - - -	iij s.	ij d.
Item, geven to thre poore souldiours the same daie - - - - - - - - -		iiij d.
Item, paid for the Piper cote, sylk buttons and making the xjth of December last - -	xxj s.	
Item, paid for wood and bordes for the pynfold dore and for staples, pyck,[1] and makeinge the same - - - - - - - - -	ij s.	x d. ob.
Item, paid to the constables for their charges, and others goinge with them to Mr. Rookesbyes about George and Lawrence Steaven -	ij s.	iiij d.
Item, geven to Christoffer Byrley at ij tymes -	ij s.	
Item, delivered to Arthur Clayton the xxixth daie of Januarii to paye to the maymed soldiors - - - - - - - - -	ij s.	ij d.
Item, geven the last of January and the vjth of February for carying Towe creples to the next constables - - - - - - -		vij d.
Item, paid to the Crowner at the deathe of Adam Mylnes wiffe, who was drowned, vj s.; and to George Bate, Tho. Odgson, and one Sytwell watching her in the well[2] the 16 and 17 of February, ij s. j d. Some in toto -	viij s.	j d.
Item, paid to Roberte Lee and Henry Broxsoppe for bearinge a pore lame boy of a barrowe to William Staniforth, the constable		xij d.
Item, paid for carying one Ryley a fellon to the same place - - - - - - - -		ij d.
Item, paid for carying thre lame folk to the next constables - - - - - - -		xij d.

[1] Pitch, Old English *pik*.

[2] At Eyam the dead were watched all night, the watching being known as "lich-waking," *i.e.*, "corpse-watching."—Addy's *Household Tales*, &c., p. 125. See also the article on "The Lake-wake" in Brand's *Popular Antiq.* Amongst the Norsemen the "like-wake" was held in a house near the church. In Sheffield there was a "house" over the church gate which may have been used for this purpose.

Item, paid the xxijth daie of Aprill for the maymed souldiors - - - - - ij s. ij d.
Item, paid for the dynners of the sembley quest viij s. to Mr. Stuard[1] xij d. and for wryting the paynes and verdyte xviij d. in toto - - - - - - - - - x s. vj d.
Item, given to a pore man in church by commandment of Mr. Bailiffe[1] and others - - ij d.
Item, paid to Thomas Birley for vij foxe heads ij s. iiij d.
Item, paid for the articles to Mr. Wylbor vj d. and for the constales (sic) charges fetching them on Whitson Mondaie xvj d. some in toto - - - - - - - - - xxij d.
[P. 64] Item, the collector is to be allowed for gatheringe the rentes the last yere - - ij s. vj d.
Item, paid for wrytinge this accomptes - - xij d.
Summa totalis paid and disbursed v li. xj s. ix d. ob.
And so remaynes de claro of the said yere v li. xviij d. ob.

Arrerages. Yet to be respected of the olde arrerages.

1588.—Of John Jackson x d. 1590.—Of George Eyre v s. 1592.—Of Nicholas Atkenson ij s. vj d. 1596.—Of John Tayler in John Wright charge ij s. vj d. Of William Elles howse iiij s. Of Thomas Barlawe v s. 1597.—Of John Barlawe for half a yere rent v s.

Summa totalis - - - - - xxiiij s. x d.
And So there remaynes in the pursse - iij li. xvj s. viij d. ob., which was delivered to Thomas Creswyck.
Roger Lee is apoynted collector for this yere.

[P. 65.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The accomptes of Roger Lee collector ther taken the Eight daie of June in the yere of our Lord 1599 for the rentes and revenewes belonginge to the said burgery for a whole yere ended at Martlemas last past 1598.

Arrerages. First the said collector is to be charged with the arrerages dependinge in the foote of the Last Reckeninge - - - xxiiij s. x d.
Rentes. Item, he is to be charged with the whole yere rente ended at Martlemas last 1598 as appeareth by a Rentall viij li. x s. viij d. and with rentes increased the same yere xlij s. vj d. somma in toto - - - - x li. xiij s. ij d.
Money. Item, money in the pursse which he is charged with - - - - iij li. xvj s. viij d. ob.
Somma totalis - - - xv li. xiiij s. viij d. ob.

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[1] Note the distinction between steward and bailiff.

Whereof disbursed as followeth—

Payments. First paid to Hugh Bower for purveyor money the somme of xv s. iiij d. and for goinge iij tymes to Rotheram about a presentment iiij d. and for wryting the presentment about the Recusantes felons and Roges iiij d. the xxiijth of July 1598- - - - xvj s.

Item, paid the xxvth of July into the handes of Hugh Bower for ij taxes - - - iiij li. x s. viij d.

Item, paid the vijth of September for iiij men their charges and the constables goinge aboute the Subsidy - - - - - vj s.

Item, gevin to Nicholas Oxpring towardes the relefe of Higgen children - - - - ij s. vj d.

Item, paid to Adam Mylnes and James Ebden mendinge the church wall and the pynfold[1] - x d.

Item, paid to Hugh Bower for charges of caryinge of Evelley and other thre felons to my Lord Dercye the iiijth of December - iiij s. x d.

Item, paid for caryinge of Broxon and Lawe to my Lord Dercye - - - - - - viij d.

Item, paid for the Pyper cote - - - - xxj s. ij d.

Item, geven to a pore man - - - - ij s.

Item, paid to Thomas Warter and Henry Ramsker church wardens for the maymed souldiors the xxvj of January 1598 - - vj s. vj d.

Item, paid the xxjth of February for the setting forth of Fraunces Pearson the souldior- - xxxiij s.

Item, paid the same daie to Johne Harysone for purveyour money - - - - - xiij s.

Item, geven to a pore woman - - - - iiij d.

Item, geven to George Steven wiff and Tomson iiij d.

Item, paid to Thomas Warter the last daie of March for the maymed souldiors - - - ij s. ij d.

[P. 66.] Item, paid the xiijth daie of Aprill for caryinge George Steaven to York and other charges concerninge him - - - xx s. ij d.

Item, paid for the dyners of the Sembley Quest vij s. vj d. and for wrytinge the paynes[2] and geving in of the verdyte ij s. viij d. Some in toto - - - - - - - - - x s. ij d.

Item, geven to George Steaven wife - - iiij d.

Item, paid to the Collector his Fee - - - ij s. vj d.

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[1] Probably the Churchyard wall, not the wall of the church.

[2] "Writing the paynes" means writing the penalties inflicted by the Court and Jury.

Item, paid more for the carryage of Steaven to Yorke - - - - - - - - - ij s. ij d.
Item, geven to a pore woman - - - - iiij d.
Item, paid for the constable charges goinge to Rotheram at the muster - - - - viij d.
Item, paid to Hugh Bower for quyttaunces for the taxe and other discharges and paymentes which he paid as apeareth by a bill the viijth of June 1599 - - - - - - - - iij s. iiij d.
Item, paid for the writinge of this book - - xij d.
Summa totalis paid and disbursed is - xij li. viij d.[1]
And so remaynes de claro of the said yere iij li. xiiij s. ij d. ob.
Arrerages. Yet to be respated of the olde arrerages of—
1588.—John Jackson x d. 1590.—George Eyre v s. 1592.—Nicholos Atkenson ij s. vj d. 1597.—William Elles iiij s. 1596.—Johne Tayler in John Wright charge ij s. vj d. Thomas Barlowe v s. Johne Barlawe v s. Margaret Mettam xx d.
Summa totalis - - - xxvj s. vj d.
And so there remaynes in the pursse - - xlvij s. vj d. ob. the which was delyvered to William Creswick the collector this yere 1599.

[P. 67] The burgerie of the towne of Sheffeld.—The accomptes of William Creswicke collector there taken the foureteenth day of June in the yeare of our Lord 1600 for the Rentes and revenewes belongeing to the said Burgerie for a whole yeare ended at Martinmas last past 1599.

Arrerages. First the collector is to be charged with the arreragies dependinge in the foote of the last reckninge - - - - - xxvj s. vj d.
Rentes. And he is to be charged with one whole yeare Rent ended at Martinmas last 1599 as appeareth by a Rentall as followeth.

Inprimis of Nicholas Pearson xx s. Item, of Thomas Byrley iij s. Item, of vidua Lee iij s. Item, of William Robertes v s. Item, of William Hodgson iiij s. vj d. Item, of John Greenewod vj s. Item of William Bright vj s. viij d. Item, of Margret Mettam iij s. iiij d. Item, of Thomas Mawre iij s. iiij d. Item, of George Eyre xxij d. Item, of George Lodge iij s. ij d. Item, of James Trulove xvj s. Item of Henry Lee xvj s. viij d. Item, of Thomas Collin for Oxpringes howse xij s. Item of Thomas Fletcher viij s. Item, of Thomas White ix s. Item, of William Roger xiiij s. Item, of James Fenton v s. Item, of vidua Harwoodd iiij s. iiij d. Item,

[1] Corrected from "iij s. ij d."

of vidua Atkinson iij s. iiij d. Item, of Lawrence Braywell xvj s. Item, of Mathew Blythe xij s. Item, of John Barley x s. Item, of Christofer Birley xj s. Item, of John Sheldon x s. Item, of John Taylier v s. Item, of Edmund Wildsmith xij d. Some - - - - - x li. xiij s. ij d.

Money. Item, money in the purse which hee is charged withall - - - - - - xlvij s. vj d. ob.

Summa totalis - - - xiiij li. vij s. ij d. ob.

Whereof disbursed as followeth—

First paid at Rotheram the xvijth day of June for two taxes - - - - - - iiij li. x s. viij d.

Item, paid the xviijth day of June to Kellam Holmer to himself and his man when they went to Rotherham to put on the armor upon the souldiers- - - - - - - xiiij d.

Item, paid the same day for scouring of fower pikes and hiringe of a horse and a man to carry the armour to Rotheram more - - xv d.

Item, paid the xixth day of June for the charges of eight trayned souldiere when they went to Rotheram to show their armor - - - v s. iiij d.

Item, given the xxijth of June '99 to certain gybsees- - - - - - - - - xij d.

[P. 68.] Item, payd the xxiijth of June to Mr. Wilbore on assessment sessed by the Justices xxxvij s. ij d.

Item, paid the viijth of September for maymed souldiors - - - - - - - - v s. x d.

Item, for Fox heades - - - - - - xvj d.

Item, paid the fifte day of October '99 for the charges of viijt trayned souldiers - - - v s. iiij d.

Item, paid the same day for carriage of the armour with a horse and the pikes - - xvj d.

Item, paid unto Adam Milnes for mendinge of the churchwall the ixth of December - - v d.

Item, paid to Michaell Stone xiijth of December for Michaell Stone and his man's cotes- - xxiiij s.

Item, paid the viijth of February for the settinge forth of souldiers to Yreland [1] - - xxxiij s.

Item, paid to John Bland for goinge with the Jurie to Bradfield- - - - - - - vj d.

Item, paid for xvj mens dinners of the Sembley Quest upon the xxvjth day of Marche - - viij s.

[1] In 1598 the northern tribe of O'Neill rebelled, and defeated the English at Tyrone. A general rising followed. The young Earl of Essex, Lieutenant of Ireland, failed to quell it, and lost his head in 1599. His successor, Lord Mountjoy, found himself master, on his arrival, of only a few miles round Dublin; but in three years revolt was at an end.

Item, paid the xxvijth of March to the forman of the Jurie xij d. which he delivered to the Steward with the verdite - - - - xij d.
Item, paid to Thomas Creswicke the same day for writinge of the verdite - - - - xx d.
Item, paid the xxxth day for the Queens provision money - - - - - - - xij s. vj d.
Item, paid to Thomas Shaw and Frances Barley for memed souldiers - - - - viij s. viij d.
Item, paid to Thomas Birley for a fox head - iiij d.
Item, paid to the Collector his Fee - - - ij s. vj d.
Item, paid for writinge of this accompte - - xvj d.
Item, paid to Mr. Wilbore for an assessment - x s.
Item, paid to Mr. Kellam [Holmer] for keepeing the towne armour - - - - - - v s.
Summa totalis paid and disbursed is xij li. xix s. iiij d.
And so remeines de claro of the said yere—nil.

Arrerages. Yet to be respected of the ould arrerages of—1588.—John Jackson x d. 1590.—George Eyre v s. 1592.—Nicholas Atkinson ij s. vj d. 1596.—John Taylier in John Wright charge ij s. vj d. 1597.—William Ellis howse iiij s. Thomas Barlawe v s. 1597.—John Barlaw v s. 1599.—Margret Mettam the last halfe yeare Rent and this iij s. iiij d.
Summa totalis - - - - - - xxviij s. ij d.
And so there remeines in the purse—nil.

Humfrey Staniforth is appointed Collector for the next yeare.

[P. 69.] The burgerie of the towne of Sheffeld.—The accomptes of Humfrey Staniforth collector there taken the xiijth day of June in the yeare of our Lord 1601 for the Rentes and Revenewes belonginge to the said Burgerie for a whole yeare ended at Martinmas last Anno Domini 1600.

Arrerages. First the collector is to be charged with the arrerages dependinge in the foote of the last Reckninge - - - - - - xxviij s. ij d.

Rentes. And he is to be charged with one whole yeare Rent ended at Martinmas last 1600 as appeareth by a Rentall followinge :—

Inprimis of Nicholas Pearson xx s. Item, of Thomas Birley iij s. Item, of vidua Lee iij s. Item, of William Robertes v s. Item, of William Hodgson iiij s vj d. Item, of John Greenewod vj s. Item, of William Bright vj s. viij d. Item, of Margret Mettam iij s. iiij d. Item, of Thomas Mawre iij s. iiij d. Item, of George Eyre xxij d. Item, of George Lodge iij s. ij d. Item, of vidua Hancocke xij d.[1] Item, of

[1] Corrected from vj d.

Richard Hancocke xij d. Item, of James Trulove xvj s. Item, of Henry Lee xvj s. viij d. Item, of Thomas Collin for Oxspringe howse xij s. Item, of Robert Ronkesley xij s. Item, of Thomas Whyte ix s. Item, of William Roger xiiij s. Item, of James Fenton v s. Item, of vidua Herwod iiij s. iiij d. Item, of vidua Atkinson iij s. iiij d. Item, of Lawrence Braywell xvj s. Item, of Mathew Blyth xij s. Item, of John Barlowe x s. Item, of Christofer Byrley xj s. Item, of John Sheldon x s. Item, of John Taylier v s. Item, ot Edmund Wildsmith xij d. Summa Totalis - - xij li. vj s. iiij d.

Whereof disbursed as followeth

Payments. Inprimis paid the xxixth day of June for maymed souldiers - - - - - iij s. iiij d.
Item, paid the second day of July to Mr. Mason deputy collector for Mr. Wortley two taxes iiij li. x s. viij d.
Item, for the Cunstables charges and the Quittance - - - - - - - xij d.
Item, paid the xvth day of July for[1] souldiers- viij s.
Item, paid the xxviijth of September for Maymed souldiers - - - - - iij s. iiij d.
Item, paid the xvth day of October to Roger Bray for mendinge of the Churchwall - - iij s. iiij d.
Item, paid the xviijth day of November to Mr. Wilbore at Cunisbroughe - - - - vj s. xj d.
Item, more paid at the same tyme for the Constable and fower mens charges - - - ij s. vj d.
[P. 70.] Item, paid the second day of December at Cunisbrough for the Constable and iiijr. mens charges when they went before the Justices - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
Item, paid the xvjth day of December for Michaell Stone and his mans coate - - xxvj s. viij d.
Item, paid the xxjth day of December for settinge forthe of the souldiers into Yreland - vj s. viij d.
Item, paid to Rolland Lord for leadinge stones for repeyringe of the Churchwall - - - ij s.
Item, paid the xjth of Januarie for maymed souldiers - - -- - - - - iij s. iiij d.
Item, paid for the dinners of the xij men of the Semblie Quest and for writinge the paines and money given to Mr. Steward- - - x s. viij d.
Item, paid xxjth of April for maymed souldiers iij s. iiij d.
Item, paid the Collector his Fee - - - ij s. vj d.
Item, for writinge of the accomte - - - xviij d.
Sume totall paid and disbursed - viij li. xviij s. v d.

[1] "Maymed" is crossed out.

And so remenes de claro of this yeare in arrerages and money - - - - - - iij li. xj s. v d.

Arrerages. Yet to be respited of the ould arrerages.

1588.—Of John Jackson x d. 1590.—Of George Eyre v s. 1592.—Of Nicholas Atkinson ij s. vj d. 1596.—Of John Tayler in John Wrightes charge ij s. vj d. 1597.—William Ellis howse iiij s. Thomas Barlawe v s. John Barlawe v s.

Sume totall - - - - - - xxiiij s. x d.

And so there remeines in the pursse - xlvj s. ix d.

Thomas Howseley is appointed collector for the next yeare.

Memorandum—that there is a brasse pan in the Reuestrie that was taken from Richard Webster for John Taylier.[1]

[P. 71.] The burgerie of the towne of Sheffeld.—The accomptes of Thomas Howsley collector there taken the xxvth daie of Maye in the yere of our Lord God 1602 for the rentes and revenewes belonginge to the said Burgery for a whole yere ended at Martinmas Laste Anno domini 1601.

Arrerages. First the said collector is to be charged with the arrerages dependinge in the foote of the laste reckeninge - - - xxiiij s. x d.

Rentes. And he is to be charged with one whole yere rente ended at Martinmas last 1601 as appeareth by a Rentall followinge x li. xix s. viij d.

Inprimis of Nicholas Pearsone xx s. Thomas Birley iij s. vidua Lee iij s. William Robertes v s. William Hodgsone v s. Johne Grenewood vj s. William Bright vj s. viij d. Margret Mettam iij s. iiij d. Thomas Mawer iij s. iiij d. vidua Eyre xxij d. vidua Hancocke xij d. Richard Hancocke xij d. James Trulove xvj s. Henry Lee xvj s. viij d. Thomas Collen for oxpring howse xij d. Roberte Ronkesley xij s. Thomas White ix s. William Rodger xiiij s. James Fenton v s. vidua Harwood iiij s. iiij d. vidua Atkensone iij s. iiij d. George Lodge iij s. ij d. Lawrence Braywell xvj s. Mathie Blyth xij s. John Barlawe x s. Christofer Birley xj s. John Sheldon x s. John Tayler v s. Edmund Wildsmith xij d.

Item, in the pursse he is charged with all - xlvj s. ix d.

Summa Totalis - - xiiij li. x s. ix d.

Whereof disbursed as followeth videlicet,

Inprimis paid unto Rowland Lord and henry Steven constables the xijth daie of July 1601 upon their accomptes - - - - - x s.

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[1] The brass pan may have been held by way of security for Taylor's arrears of rent. The revestry was the robing room of a church, and this is an instance of the numerous secular uses to which churches were put. According to R. E. Leader's *Reminiscences*, water buckets were kept in the chancel. They were used to quench fires in the town.

Item, paid for vj sword gyrdells - - - iij s. viij d.
Item, paid the xxvjth daye of July to Charles Howle[1] church wardon for maymed souldiors - - - - - - - - - iij s. iiij d.
Item, delyvered to Rowland Lord the second daie of August for settinge iij souldiours into Ireland - - - - - - - - xxviij s.
Item, more for settinge forth souldiours - - xiiij s.
Item. paid unto henry Steven constable the vjth daie of October for the quenes majesties provigion xiiij s. and for the muster mor viij s. in toto - - - - - - - xxij s. vj d.
Item, paid the xvjth daie of October for settinge (sic.) souldiours into Ireland- - - - - xxxiiij s.
[P. 72.] Item, paid to Thomas Lee the 29 of October for dressinge of iij corslettes and ij calyvers - - - - - - - - vj s. viij d.
Item, paid unto Charles Howle the 19 daie of November for maymed souldiours - - iij s. iiij d.
Item, paid unto Michaell Stone for his cotes - xxvj s. viij d.
Item, paid unto Rowland Lord for settinge forth souldiours into Ireland the 17 of Januarie - - - - - - - - - xx s.
Item, paid unto Charles Howle the xixth daie of Januarye for maymed souldiours - - iij s. iiij d.
Item, paid unto the said Charles Howle the iiijth day of Apryll for maymed souldiours - iij s. iiij d.
Item, paid unto Thomas Good wife the viijth of Aprill for the dynners of the sembly quest - vij s.
Item, paid the same daye to Thomas Creswick for wrytinge the paynes and verdyte of the said quest xx d. and to the stuard takinge the said verdyte xij d. Some in toto - - - ii s. viij d.
Item, paid to John Bland for fetchinge a key of a locke from Bowsever [Bolsover] - - vj d.
Item, delyvered the xxvijth daie of Aprill 1602 to pay for a taxe - - - - - - - xlv s. iiij d.
Item, paid for a sheete for the pore wentch which was drowned in the myll dame vid. Webster Mayde - - . - - - - xvj d.
Item, the collector his fee - - - - ij s. vj d.
Item, more were delyvered unto Rowland Lord the xxvijth daye of January upon his accomptes - - - - - - - - xij s.

[1] John Creswick, of Burrowlee, in his will, dated 21st May, 1604, mentions half a close in Sheffield, called Breddale, in the tenure of Charles Hoole. The name "Howle" is identical with the name "Hoole."

Item, paid for wrytinge of the accompte - - xij d.
Somma totalis paid and disbursed- - xij li. xj s. ij d.
And so remaynes de claro of this yere in arrerages and money - - - - - xxxix s. vij d.

Arrerages. Yet to be respated of the old arrerages of—

1588,—John Jacksone x d. 1590.—Of George Eyre v s. 1592.—Of Nicholas Atkensone ij s. vj d. 1596.—Of Johne Tayler in Wright charge ij s. vj d. 1597.—Of William Elles iiij s. Of Thomas Barlaw v s. Of John Barlowe v s.
Summa totalis - - - xxiiij s. x d.
And so remaynes in the pursse - - - xiiij s. ix d.
and also ij s. more which was receyved of the constables, so the whole money in the pursse is - - - - - - - - xvj s. ix d.
which said xvj s. ix d. is put into the handes of Thomas Creswicke.

[P. 73.] The burgerie of the towne of Sheffeld.—The accomptes of Robert Stanniforth collectour there taken the xxviijth day of May Anno Domini 1603 for the Rentes and Revenues belongeinge to the said Burgerie for a whole yeare ended at Martinmas last Anno Domini 1602.

Arrerages. First the collectour is to be charged with the arrerages dependinge in the foote of the last reckninge - - - - - - xxiiij s. x d.
Rentes. And hee is to be charged with one whole yeare Rent ended at Martinmas last as appeareth by a Rentall in the last Reckninge - - - - - - - - x li. xix s. viij d.
Also he is charged with money in the purse - xvj s. ix d.
Summe totall - - xiij li. xv d.
Inde disbursed by the collectour as followeth
Imprimis paid the sixt day of June for the settinge forth of Roger Slatter and Richard Wats souldiers into Ireland - - - xxij s. viij d.
Item, more paid the same daye about the Queenes business - - - - - x s.
Item, paid the five and twentith of Julie for the repayringe of Yorkeshire brigges[1] - - l s.
Item, paid the sixt of August for the settinge forth of souldiers into Ireland - - - xvj s.
Item, paid the xvijth day of August for the charges of Trayned souldiers - - - x s.

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[1] Yorkshire bridges, to which the whole county was assessed. We shall find many subsequent entries of contributions to the repair of specific bridges.

Item, paid the xxviijth day of November for the Queenes household - - - - xiiij s. vj d.
Item, paid the xijth day of September for the maymed souldiers - - - - - vj s. viij d.
More paid the xxvjth of September [for the] Maymed souldiers - - - - - xvj d.
and for mendinge the church [? yard] walles - ij d.
Item, paid for the waytes coates - - - xxvj s. viij d.
Item, paid more the sixt day of Januarie for the maymed souldiers - - - - - iij s. viij d.
Item, paid the xxijth of Januarie for a Tax for the Queenes Majestie - - - - - xlv s. iiij d.
Item, paid more the xxth day of Januarie for treyned souldiers - - - - - - viij s.
Item, paid the xijth of March to Belfeld for wallinge to church [? yard] wall - - - viij d.
Item, for writinge the verdit of the Sembly Quest or Jurie - - - - - - xx d.
Item, paid for the Collectour his Fee - ij s. vj d.
Item, paid for writinge of the accompt - - xiiij d.
Item, more delivered to Edward Saunderson towards the payment of a tax - - - v s. v d.
plus in dorso.
[P. 74.] Summe totall paid out and Disbursed xj li. vj s. v d.
And so remenes de claro of this yeare in arrerages and money - - - - - - xviij s.
And there is abated of the ould arrerages - vij s. iiij d.
Viz.:—Of John Tailier - - - - ij s. vj d.
John Jackson - - - - - - x d.
William Ellis - - - - - - iiij s.

Arrerages. 1590.—Yet to be respited of George Eyre v s. 1592.—Of Nicholas Atkinson ij s. vj d. 1597.—Of Thomas Bareley v s. Of John Barley v s. 1602.—Item, for this halfe yeare v s. Item, of Thomas Birley this whole yeare Rent iij s. Item, of vidua Lee xviij d. Sume totall xxvij s.

And so remeines in the purse vj d.

Phillip Stainrod is appointed Collectour for this year 1603.

[P. 75.] The burgerie of the towne of Sheffeld.—The accomptes of Phillip Staynrod collectour there taken the xviijth day of Aprill Anno domini 1604 for the Rentes and Revenues belongeinge to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare ended at Martinmas last Anno Domini 1603.

Arrerages. First the Collectour is to be charged with the Arrerages dependinge in the foote of the last Reckninge - - - - - xxvij s.

Rentes. And hee is to be charged with one whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last as appeareth by the Rentall - -	x li. xix s. viij d.	
Also hee is to be charged with money in the purse - - - - - - - - -		vj d.
Sume totall - -	xij li. vij s. ij d.	
Inde disbursed by the Collectour as followeth		
Inprimis paid to William Creswicke the xxixth of May for a dagger - - - - - -		xij d.
Item, paid the xvjth of May to the maymed souldiers - - - - - - - -	iij s. viij d.	
Item, paid the xvijth of June for a Taxe - -	xlv s. iiij d.	
Item, paid for repeiringe of Salt Peter workes [1]	x s.	vj d.
Paid for two quittances - - - - - -		vj d.
Paid the xiiijth of November for Castle money [2]	ij s.	
Paid the same day for the kinges provision [3] -	xix s. viij d.	
Paid the xijth of December for a Tax - -	xlv s. iiij d.	
and for the Quittance - - - - - -		iiij d.
Paid for the Releife of Pountefract [4] - -	vij s.	vj d.
Paid the xvjth of March at the Cessinge of the Subsidie - - - - - - - -	iij s. viij d.	
Paid more for the Releife of Pountefract the third of Aprill - - - - - - -	iiij s.	ij d.
Paid more at Rotheram for the cessinge of the Subsidie - - - - - - - -	ij s. viij d.	
Paid for the waytes coates - - - - -	xxvij s.	
Paid the thirteth of October to the lame souldiers - - - - - - - - - -	vij s.	v d.

[1] See Chambers' *Book of Days*, Vol. I., p. 666, where an interesting account is given Saltpetre, for the manufacture of gunpowder, was obtained from animal exuviæ, and town authorities were required to maintain works for the manufacture of saltpetre from the refuse of their respective localities. This was compulsory, under an Act of 1625. But the Sheffield Burgery is seen by this entry to have supported saltpetre works as early as 1603. Against the exactions of the saltpetre men the inhabitants of Newark appealed to Lord Burghley, Oct. 8th, 1589. In 1656 an Act was passed forbidding saltpetre makers from digging in houses or enclosed lands without leave of the owners.

[2] Castle guard rent, on which see *New Eng. Dict.* The constable of Royston as late as 1848 paid 1s. 6d. a year as "castle guard rent" to Pontefract Castle. If this "castle money" was paid for the maintenance and repair of Sheffield Castle by the burgesses of that town, it is possible that the castle was built not by a feudal lord at his own expense, but by the proceeds of local taxation.

[3] The Queen has gone; King James is come. This payment was provision for King James on his progress from Edinburgh to London. He was guest of the Earl of Shrewsbury at Worksop Manor on the 20th April, 1603.

[4] Pontefract was probably visited by the plague, as Rotherham and Doncaster had recently been.

paid the collectour his Fee - - - - ij s. vj d.
paid the xvth of Aprill for Mam'd souldiers - vij s. iiij d.
paid for the Jurie dinners writinge of the verdite and xij d. which the Stuard had - - xj s. ij d.
paid for makeinge of this accompt - - - xiiij d.
Sume totall paid and disbursed - x li. xiiij s. vd.
Yet to be respited in

Arrerages of George Eyre v s. Of Nicholas Atkenson ij s. vj d. [P. 76.] 1597.—Of Thomas Barley v s. of John Barley v s. 1603.—of John Barley this last halfe yeare Rent v s. 1602.—Of Thomas Byrley iij s. Summe - xxv s. vj d.
So remenes in the purse - - - ix s. xj d.

Thomas Scargell is appointed Collectour for this yeare 1604.

[P. 77.] The free tenants of the tone of Sheffold (sic).—The accounte of Thomas Scargell collector there taken the vth of June 1605 for the Rentes and Revenewes belongyng to the sayd free tenentes for one holl year ended at Meartenmas (sic.) laste anno domini 1604.[1]

Arrerages. Fyrst the collector is to be charged wythe the arrerages dependynge in the foote of the laste Recknynge - - - - - xxv s. vj d.[2]
Rentes. and he is to be charged wythe one holl years Rent ended at Martenmas laste as apeareth by the Rentall - - - x li. xix s. viij d.
also he is to be charged wythe moneye in the porse - - - - - - - - - ix s. xj d.
Some is - - - - xij li. x s. j d.
Wherof disbursed by the Collector—
Inprimis deliuered unto Nicholas Pearson and Rowland Lord constables the xxth of Aprill for payment of one tax - - - - - xlv s. iiij d.
deliuered unto Pearsonn and Lord the xviijth of Aprell to repeire the stockes - - - iij s.
deliuered to Humfrey Staniforth to 22th of July for the moeymed souldiers - - - - iij s. viij d.
deliuered the Constables the 22th of June for Barleburr brigg and prisoneres att York - v s. viij d.
paid to Thomas Lee the xxiiijth of of (*sic*) September for a hespe and staple for the pinfould - - - - - - - - iij d.
paid att Rotherham the xxixth of September for the charges of foure men and the Constable - ij s. viij d.

[1] The handwriting and spelling on this page are very bad.

[2] Corrected from "ix s. xj d."

paid for the maymed souldiers due att Pentecost iij s. viij d.
delivered to Rowland Lord the xvijth of of (*sic*)
September the some of - - - - - xlv s. iiij d.
paid for the piperes coates the xxvijth of
December - - - - - - - xxvij s.
Paid to Humfrey Staniforth the xxth of December for the maymed souldieres - - - iij s. viij d.
paid for those that weare kept in in January - iiij s. iiij d.
paid for the dinneres of the semble quest the third of Aprill for writinge and verdite - - xj s. vj d.
For mendinge the pinfould gate - - - iij d.
[P. 78.] deliuered unto Humfrey Staniforth the xth of Aprell for maymed souldieres - iij s. viij d.
For mendinge the Church wales and steele[1] - iij s. x d.
For the gatheringe of the rent - - - - ij s. vj d.
Some totall and disbursed viij li. vj s. iiij d.
Yett to bee respited
1590.—George Eyre v s. 1592.—Nicholas Atkinsonn ij. vj d.
1597.—Thomas Barlowe v s. John Barlowe v s.
Some is - - - - xvij s. vj d.
Soe remeineth in the purse - iij li. xj s. iij d.
which money is leaft (sic.) in the Chist.
Thomas Elliott is apointed Collecter for this yeare 1605.

[P. 79.] The free tenantes of the towne of Sheffeld.—The accomptes of Thomas Ellyott collector there taken the xxiiijth daie of Maye Anno Domini 1606 for the rentes and revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole yere ended at Martinmas last Anno Domini 1605.

Arrerages. Fyrst the collector is to be charged with the arrerages depending in the foote of the last reckening - - - - - xvij s. vj d.
Rent. And he is to be charged with one whole yere Rent ended at Martinmas Last - xj li. vj s. viij d.
Money in the purss. also he is to be charged with money in the pursse - - - iij li. xj s. iij d.
Summa - - - xv li. xv s. v d.
Whereof disbursed by the Collector
Inprimis delyvered to Robert Alsopp and Rolland Lord constables for the repayring of brigges and other thinges as appeareth by partyculers - - - - - - vij li. xviij s. x d.
Also paid for maymed soldiors - - - xiiij s. x d.

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[1] *I. e.*, stile, a set of steps (see Skeat) leading into the churchyard, probably on the north side. These steps were common in old churchyards, as at Dronfield, Pickering, &c.

also paid for the pyper cote - - - - - xx s.
also paid for wall stone and repayring the towne poundfold - - - - - - ij s.
more for wormanshipp of the same - - iij s. j d.
Also paid for a lock for the pynfold - - viij d.
Also paid for the dyners of the sembley quest and for wryting the verdyte and paynes - xj s. vj d.
The Collector his fee - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
also paid for carrying Hugh Bower and Pearson to York - - - - - - - xlvj s. viij d.
Also for wrytinge the accomptes - - - xij d.
Summa totalis paid and disbursed - xiij li. j s. j d.

Yet to be respated. 1590.—George Eyre v s. Nicholas Atkinson ij s. vj s. Summa - - - - - vij s. vj d.
So remaynes in the pursse - - - xlvj s. xd.
whiche is put into the handes of William Spowner collector for this yere 1606.

[P. 80.] The free tenantes of the towne of Sheffeld.—The accomptes of William Spowner collector there taken the xiijth daie of Maye 1607 for the rentes and retenues (sic.) belonginge to the burgerye for one whole yere ended at Martinmas last Anno domini 1606.

Arrerages. First the collector is to be charged with arrerages of rentes dependinge in the foote of the last Reckeninge - - - - - vij s. vj d.
Rentes. And he is to be charged with one whole yere rent ended at Martinmas last - xj li. vj s. viij d.
Money in the pursse. Also he is to be charged with money in the pursse - - - - - xlvj s. x d.
Summa- - - - - - xiiij li. xij d.
Whereof disbursed by the collector—
Imprimis paid the xxiiij daie of Maye last for the constables churchwardens and collectors for the pore - - - - - - - - iij s.
Item, paid for the repayring of Bursall brigge and other busynes - - - - - - xx s.
Item, paid the constables going about the subsydy x s.
Item, paid for salt peter - - - - - - x s.
Item, paid for the caryinge to Thomas Hunt Wife child and other busynes - - - x s.
Item, paid a taxe to the kinge and other charges l s.
Item, paid for the kinges provision of oxen and other expences[1] - - - - - - - xxij s.

[1] The payments for oxen and wax for the Royal Household are another way of expressing "purveyance."

Item, to Robert Staniforth constable going about the six weekes sessions - - - vj s. viij d.
Item, paid for waxe for the kinges howse and other thinges as appeareth by particulars - vj s. viij d.
Item, paid for repayring of Wetherby brigges - xiij s. iiij d.
Item, paid the xxiiijth daie of February for the constable and fower mens charges goinge to Rotheram about the subsidy- - - - iij s. iiij d.
Item, paid when William Hank should have bene comytted to pryson and other thinges as appeareth by particulers - - - - xiiij s.
Item, paid for maymed souldiours at fower severall tymes - - - - - - xiiij s. viij d.
Item, paid for foxe heades - - - - xx d.
Item, paid for ij mettes of lyme and repayring the Ladye brigg - - - - - - iij s. iiij d.
Item, geven the piper for his cote - - - xx s.
Item, paid for repayring the towne buttes - ij s. vj d.
Item, paid for the dynners of the semley quest, for wrytinge the paynes and verdyt - - xj s.
[P. 81.] Item, paid the xxiiijth daye of Aprill last 1607 to Homfrey Staniforth and Nicholas Staniforth constables for salt peter men,[1] repayringe of Castleforth brigge and to the Castle of Yorke and other busynes as appeareth by particulers - - - - xxxiij s.
Item, geven to John Blande for goinge with hewe and crye for a Roberye - - - vj d.
Item, paid for wrytinge this accomptes - - xij d.
Summa totalis paid and dysbursed xij li. xix s. x d.
1590—Yet to be resated George Eyre v s. Nicholas Atkensone ij s. vj d. Some - - vij s. vj d.
And so remaynes in the pursse which is put into the handes of Richard Webster collector for this yere 1607 - - - - - - xiij s. viij d.

ANNO DOMINI 1608.

The Burgery of the towne of Sheffeld, 1608.—The Accompte of Richard Webster collector there taken the xxvijth day of May 1608 for the Rentes and Revenues belonginge to the said Burgery for one whole yeare ended att Martinmas last past.

The Charge. First the said Collector is to bee charged with arrereages of Rentes dependinge the last Reckoninge as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoninge - - - vij s. vj d.

[1] See Note No. 1, page 85 above.

Item, with money in the purse - - - xiij s. viij d.
Item, with one whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - xj li. vj s. viij d.
Summa - - - xij li. vij s. x d.
Whereof disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, viz.:
June xixth, 1607. To Humfrey Staniforth and Nicholas Staniforth constables of Sheffeld - - - - - - - xx s.
July xixth. To the Constables for the poore of Doncaster - - - - - - - xxiiij s.
August ixth. for the Repairing of Shepley bridge xvj s.
xxvijth. To the visited people[1] of Doncaster - - - - - - - xxiiij s.
To Nicholas Staniforth for caryinge a man to York Castle - - - - - - - x s.
October xviijth. To Nicholas Staniforth Constable - - - - - - - - xx s.
December xxth. To Humfrey Staniforth Constable - - - - - - - - v s.
xxth. For the Kinges prouision and oxen and other thinges as appeareth by particulars - xxx s.
[P. 82.] June 24 1607. To Roberte Rollenson for the maymed souldiers - - - iij s. viij d.
October 8. To Frauncis More for maymed souldiers - - - - - - - iij s. viij d.
December 21. To Frauncis More for maymed souldiers - - - - - - - iij s. viij d.
December 15. To Michaell Stone the Wayte for his cote - - - - - - - xx s.
September 20. For the Repairinge of the Lady bridg as appeared by particulers - - - xviij s. x d.
March 18. To the Churchwardens for the Ringers for Ringinge the xxiiijth of March in anno 1607[2] - - - - - - - vj s. viij d.
For mendinge the Towne Butt - - - ij s.
March 31 1608. For the xij mens dinners of the Sembley quest *for the underbayliffe his dinner and one of the Constables dinner* for writinge the paines and verdict and for deliueringe in of the verdict - - - - ix s. x d.
April 24. To William Slack and John Greaves Constables for salt peeter and lame souldiers xiiij s.
For a lock to Thomas Lee - - - - v d.

[1] The old belief that disease is the visitation of a demon. See an article on "The Cholera Goddess" in the *Nineteenth Century*, Oct., 1896.

[2] Anniversary of the accession of James I.

* The words between the stars are crossed out.

To the ould Churchwardens for maymed souldiers iij s. viij d.
To the Collector for his fee - - - - ij s. vj d.
For writinge this accompte - - - - xiiij d.
Sum disbursed is - - - xj li. xix s. j d.

1590.—Yett to bee Respited. George Eyre v s. Nicholas Atkinson ij s. vj d. Somme vij s. vj d.
And so Remaines in the purse delivered to John Harrison Collector for this year 1608 - xv d.

ANNO DOMINI 1609.

[P. 83.] The Burgery of the towne of Sheffeld.—The Accounte of John Harrison Collector there taken the xvijth day of May 1609 for the Rentes and Revenues belonginge to the said Burgery for one whole yeare ended at Martinmas last past.

The Charg. First the said Collector is to bee charged with arrerreages of rentes dependinge the last reckonige[1] as appeareth att the last reckoninge - - - - - - vij s. vj d.
In the purse - - - - - - - xv d.
Item, with one whole yeares rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - xj li. vj s. viij d.
Some is - - - xj li. xv s. v d.

Wherof disbursed by the Collector as followeth, viz.:
June the 12th 1608. Delivered to John Greaues constable to pay a some sessed by the Justices for one that was robed by the highway - xl s.
July the 6t 1608. Delivered to William Slack constable to pay for mendinge of the butt in the whickar - - - - - - v s.
July the 10th. Delivered to Arthur Parkin one of the Churchwardens to pay unto the Constable for the lame souliers - - - - iij s. viij d.
21st of July. Delivered to John Greaves for cariinge one William Elcock to Yorke - - xiij s. iiij d.
July the 23th. Delivered to Christofer Capper and Arthur Parkin for the repeiring of the Townes parte of the church wall[2] - - vj s. iij d.

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[1] So in the MS., but "reckoninge" occurs in the next year. In several places *n* has been omitted before *g* in the MS., as "lynige" for "lyninge," but it has been restored here. It should be stated, however, that the omission may have been intentional, and in conformity with the local pronunciation of the period. In early times there was a tendency for *n* to drop out before *g*. Thus "honey" is Old English *hunig*, Old Norse *hunang*, Danish *honning*.

[2] This doubtless refers to the wall around the Churchyard. See a subsequent entry in the accounts for 1615, where the churchyard wall is speci-

August the vth. Delivered to Christofer Capper and Arthur Parkin to pay the Ringers - ij s. vj d.
September the 8th. Delivered to William Slack to pay Richard Broune and William Fox for cariinge of Nicholas Hibbard to Yorke Castle - - - - - - - xv s. iiij d.
October the 3. Delivered to Christofer Capper for lame souliers, money due att Michalmas Sessions - - - - - - - iij s. vij d.
October the 15th. Delivered to William Slack to pay trayne souliers and to cary a lame woman to Wadisley - - - - - - vij s. iiij d.
November the 9th. Delivered to William Slack ij s. vj d.
[P. 84.] November 16th. Delivered to William Slack - - - - - - - - - xx s. iij d.
Delivered to William Slack towardes payinge of Thomas Hogson for watchinge Mr. Harlowe iij s.
Payd to Thomas Bland for the like - - iiij d.
Delivered to Michaell Stoone for his Coate - xx s.
October the 23th. Delivered to William Slack xxvij s. x d.
January the 21th. Delivered to John Greaues for cariinge John Greaues before Sir Peeter Fretchvile[1] - - - - - - - - - iij s. iiij d.
January the 22th. Deliuered to Christofer Capper for lame souliers - - - - - iij s. viij d.
January the 29th. Deliuered to John Greaues towardes the repayringe of York Castle - x s.
March the 7th. Deliuered to John Greaues - iiij s. iiij d.
March the 26th. Deliuered to John Greaues for repeyringe of Castleforth brig - - xiij s. iiij d.
Deliuered to Jo. Hill for mending the butt in the whickar - - - - - - - xvj d.
Aprill 20th. Deliuered to Ellis Younge - xiij s.
January the 18th. Deliuered to Roger Bray for mendinge the towne pinfould and to Walker for bringinge him stone - - - ij s. viij d.
The Collector for gatheringe - - - - ij s. vj d.
For writinge the accounte - - - - xij d.
Some is - - - - xj li. vj s. v d.
Yett to bee respited. 1590.—George Eyre v s. Nicholas Attkinson ij s. vj d. Some is vij s. vj d.
And soe Remaineth in the purse deliuered to Malyn Stacy Collector for this year 1609 - xviij d.

fied. The entry is interesting as showing that the Burgery was responsible for the repair of some definite part of the wall. The Capital Burgesses probably repaired the other part.

[1] Sir Peter Freshville, of Staveley.

ANNO DOMINI 1610.

[P. 85.] The Burgery of the towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Malin Stacy Collector there taken the xvjth of June 1610 for the Rentes and Revenues belonginge to the said Burgery for one whole yeare ended att Martinmas nowe last past.

The Charge. First the said Collector is to bee charged with arrereages of Rentes dependinge the last Reckoninge as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoninge - - - vij s. vj d.
Item, with money in the purse - - - xviij d.
Item, with one whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - xj li. vj s. viij d.
The somme of the charge is - - xj li. xv s. viij d.

Wherof disbursed by the said Collector as followeth, viz.:—

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June xxth. To John Greaves one of the Constables for the year 1608 for money by him disbursed whilest hee was Constable - - xiij s. iiij d.
xxjth. To Christofer Capper one of the Churchwardens the same year for lame soldiers - - - - - - - - iiij s. viij d.
To Thomas Webster and George Hancock the constables towardes the Releife of lame soldiers, payment of money upon warrants from the High Constable, sending of prisoners to the gaole, and other services for the King and Towne att sondry times- - - vij li. xiiij s. vj d.
July xvth. To Edward Hill one of the Churchwardens for lame soldiers - - - - iij s. viij d.
August xiiijth. To Humfrey Youle another of the churchwardens for the Ringers - - ij s. viij d.
To the Churchwardens for the Releife of lame soldiers att 2 severall times, viz.:—the first of October and the 7th of January either time 3s. 8d; in all - - - - - - - vij s. iiij d.
December xijth. To Michaell Stone for his Cote xx s.
January vijth. To the Churchwardens for the Ringers - - - - - - - - ij s. viij d.
March xxiiijth. To the Churchwardens for Ringing - - - - - - - - iij s. iiij d.
April xijth. For the dinners of the Sembley quest and for writing of their verdict and the paines - - - - - - - - - ix s.
Aprill xvth. To the Churchwardens for the Releife of lame soldiers - - - - iij s. viij d.

To the Collector for his fee for gatheringe of the Rentes - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
For writinge of this accoumpt - - - - xij d.[1]
Somme disbursed - - xj li viij s. iiij d.
plus in dorso.

[P. 86.] Yett to bee respited. 1590.—George Eyre v s. Nicholas Attkinson ij s. vj d.—Somme vij s. vj d. So is there disbursed (deducting the arrereages aforesaid) by the Collector aforesaid ij d. more than his charge which was taken out of the next yeares Rent.

Ellis Young is appointed Collector for this year 1610.

The Rent is increased against the next year - xx d.
So the whole Rent is - - - xj li. viij s. iiij d.
Delivered to the said Ellis which the Constables left the last year - - - - xxj d.

Anno Domini 1611.

[P. 87.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Ellis Young (Collector) there taken the Eight daie of May 1611 for the Rentes and Revenues belonginge to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas nowe last past.

the Charge.

First the said Collector is to bee charged with arrerages of Rentes dependinge the last Reckoninge as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoninge - - - - - - vij s. vj d.
Item, with money in the purse - - - xix d.
Item, with one whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - xj li. viij s. iiij d.
the somme of the charge is - vj li. xvij s. v d.
Wherof disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, viz.
To Thomas Skargell one of the Constables for money paid by him towardes the Repeiringe of Otley bridge the 23rd of Aprill 1610 - x s. viij d.
To the same Thomas for money paid by him the last of Aprill 1610 to the High Constable for salt peeter workes and the prisoners in York Castle - - - - - - xv s. iiij d.
To the same Thomas for money by him paid the Third daie of September 1610 to the High Constable towardes the Reedifyinge of Bawtry bridge and towardes the Repairinge of Wakefield and Eland bridges - - - xij s. ix d.

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[1] Corrected from "xiij d."

To the same Thomas for money by him paid the xijth daie of November 1610 to the High Constable towardes the Repairinge of Meathley bridge, Sawley bridge, Colne bridge and Cowper bridge and towardes the yearly pencion of Captaine Wood Generall muster maister for Yorkshire - - - - - xlj s. iij d.

To the same Thomas for money by him paid the 24th of December last for prouision of the Kinges majesties houshould - - - xviij s. vj d.

To the same Thomas for money by him paid the 25th of February last towardes the Repeiringe of Tannfeld bridge, Turne bridge and Bolton bridge - - - - - xxxj s. ob.

To the same Thomas for money by him paid att 3 seuerall times for Releife of maymed soldiers - - - - - - - - xj s.

plus in dorso

[P. 88.] To Michaell Stone for his Cote - xx s.

For Repairinge of the Towne buttes - - xvj d.

To Hugh Robertes one of the Constables for this year 1611 for money by him paid towardes the Reliefe of maymed soldiers - iij s. viij d.

To Abraham Gray for altering and skowringe of the Townes Armor - - - - - xxxij s.

For the dinners of the Sembley quest and for writing of their verdict and the paines and for takinge in of the verdict - - - xij s.

For money spent by the Constables in goinge to the quarter Sessions att Pontefract the 15th of July 1610 - - - - - vj s.

For Foxheades - - - - - - ij s.

To the before named Thomas Skargell one of the constables for money by him paid for acquittances from the High Constable when hee paid the sommes before mencioned for his owne charges when hee paid the same, for mendinge the stockes, and for a lock for the same and for his charges in goinge to the Justices att seuerall times - - - - x s. vij d. ob.

To the Collector for his fee for gatheringe of the Rentes - - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.

For writinge of this Accompt - - - - xij d.

Somme disbursed - xj li. xj s. viij d.

So Remaineth in the purse - - - - - v s. ix d.

which was delivered to Thomas Skargell together with xxiij s. which the Constables left

the last year and so was there in all delivered to the said Thomas Skargell appointed collector for the next year iust - - - xxviij s. ix d.

Memorandum that Hugh Robertes the Constable is to bee charged the next year with 3s. 8d. by him receiued as aboue, ouer and besides what hee shall receiue of Thomas Skargell the next Collector.

ANNO DOMINI 1612.

[P. 89.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Thomas Skargell (Collector) there taken the Thirteenthe daie of June in the year 1612 for the Rentes and Revenues belonginge to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the charge.

First the said Collector is to bee charged with money deliuered to him at the last Reckoninge xxviij s. ix d.

Item, with one whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - xj li. viij s. iiij d.

the somme of the charge is - xij li. xvij s. j d.

Wherof disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, viz.:

To ould Hinchliffe, Raph Bostack and John Wood with other laborers, for mending of the lady bridge - - - - - - - - xl s.

given to them in bread and ale - - - xij d.

To Hugh Robertes one of the Constables for money paid to the High Constables for lame soldiers, and for the house of Correction - xxix s. iiij d.

and for money paid to the high Constable for the provision of Oxen for his majesties household - - - - - - - - - xx s.

To the same Hugh for money by him paid to the high Constable towardes the Repaire of Ferribridg viij s. iij d. and xiij d. ob. towardes the increase of v s. an oxe for provision of the kinges majesties houshould - - ix s. iiij d. ob.

To the same Hugh and Edward Hill his fellowe for money by them paid towardes the payment of Captaine Wood generall muster master, x s. vj d., and towardes the Repaire of Darfeld bridge, iiij s. x d. ob., and towardes the Repaire of Inghay bridge, iij s. ix d., in all - - - - - - - xix s. j d. ob.

To Michaell Stone for his cote - - - xx s.

For Repairinge of the Towne butt - - - xvj d.

To Edward Creswick one of the Churchwardens for money by him paid the xxjth of Aprill

last to the high Constable towardes the Reliefe of lame soldiers and towardes the house of correction- - - - - - - - vij s. iiij d.

[P. 90.] To the Constables for money by them paid to the high Constable for a newe Bandilierowe[1] - - - - - - - - ij s.

To the same Constables for money by them paid towardes the Releife of the prisoners in the gaole at York- - - - - - - ij s.

For the dinners of the Sembley quest for writing of their verdict and the paines, and for taking in of their verdict- - - - - x s.

For Foxheades - - - - - - - - ij s.

To Nicholas Staniforth and Edward Creswick churchwardens for money paid for Ringing - iiij s. viij d.

To the Collector for his fee for gathering the Rentes- - - - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.

for writing this accompte- - - - - - xij d.

Somme disbursed- - viij li. xi s. viij d.

So Remaineth in the purse iiij li. v s. v d. which Remeineth in the hands of the ould Collector Thomas Skargell and is by him to be delivered to Roger Lee who is appointed Collector for the next year together with iiij s. ix d. paid in by the ould Constables which remained in their handes undisbursed

So is the said Roger to be charged with -iiij li. x s. ij d.

ANNO DOMINI 1613.

[P. 91.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Roger Lee (Collector) there taken the Thirtith daie of July in the year 1613 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge

First the said Collector is to bee charged with money delivered to him att the last Reckoninge as appeareth att the foote of the same Reckoninge - - - - - - - iiij li. x s. ij d.

Item with one whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - - xj li. viij s. iiij d.

the Some of the Charge xv li. xviij s. vj d.

Wherof disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, viz.

[1] A broad belt worn over the shoulder and across the breast, by which a wallet might be suspended at the side.—*New Eng. Dict.* A belt of this kind was worn by soldiers. It helped to support the musket, and had attached twelve little cases, each containing a charge for the musket.

To George Hancock one of the Constables for money paid by him to the high constables att severall times upon severall warrantes (shewed by him to the Burgesses att the taking of this accompt) for and towardes the Releiving of mayhemed soldiers, erecting and mainteining of the house of correction the Repairing of Kirkstall bridge, Grimball Knaresbrough bridge, North bridge att Rippon, Tanfeild bridge, Hewick bridge and Ingleton bridge, the Releife of the prisoners in the Gaole, provision for waxe for his majesties househould, and for and towards the payment of Captaine Phillippes yearly pencion - - - - - - - -	vj li.	j s.	iij d.
To Michaell Stone for his cote - - -	xx s.		
for Repairing of the Townes butt - - -			xvj d.
For the dinners of the Sembly guest, for writing of their verdict and the paines, and for taking in of their verdict - - - -	xij s.		vj d.
To Ellis Young and Anthony Webster, churchwardens for money paid for Ringing - -	xj s.		viij d.
To the Constables for money given to those that had passes for their charges in carying and sending of prisoners to the gaole and other necessaries about the townes businesse - - - - - - - -	vj li.	vij s.	iij d.
[P. 92] for amending the cage[1] and stockes and sawing of tymber for a newe paire of stockes- - - - - - - - -		vj s.	iiij d.
To Mr. Gray for dressing the Townes armour-		vj s.	
To the trayned soldiers when they went to Rotherham the xxvjth of May - - -		v s.	iiij d.
To the Captaine for marking of the armour -		ij s.	viij d.
for carying of the armour and pykes, ale given to the soldiers and other charges about that businesse - - - - - - - -		v s.	vj d.
To the Collector for his fee for gathering the Rentes- - - - - - - - -		ij s.	vj d.
for writing of this accompte - - - -			xij d.
Somme disbursed- -	xvj li.	iij s.	iiij d.

[1] According to the *New Eng. Dict.*, a cage is "A prison for petty malefactors; a lock-up." Compare *Shakespeare*, 2 Hen. VI., iv. 2, 56. "His father had never a house but the cage." Compare also the well-known lines of *Lovelace*:—

Stone walls do not a prison make,
Nor iron bars a cage.

So there is disbursed by the Collector aforesaid iiij s. x d. more then his charge, which was taken out of the next yeares Rent.

Thomas Scargell is appointed to collect the same.

ANNO DOMINI 1615.[1]

[P. 93.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Thomas Skargell (Collector) there taken the Third daie of June in the year 1615 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole yeare ended at Martinmas in the year 1613.

	the Charge		
The said Collector is to be charged with one whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas 1613 - - - - - - -	xj li.	viij s.	iiij d.
Somme of the charge -	11 li.	8 s.	4 d.
Wherof disbursed by the said Collector as followeth, viz.			
To George Hancock and Thomas Foster Constables for money paid by them to the High Constables for the Repaire of Kighley bridge and for the Releife of the prisoners in the Kinges bench and Marshalsey 15s. 9d. and likewise viij s. viij d. for the Repaire of Castleforth bridge and Kirkstall bridge, in all		xxiiij s.	vd.
To the same George and Thomas Foster for money by them paid to the High Constables towardes the Repaire of Thornton bridge, 5s. 9d. and for other needfull businesse, 13d., in all - - - - - - - - -		vj s.	vij d.
To Michaell Stone for his cote - - -		xx s.	
To Thomas Spencer one of the Churchwardens for money by him paid towardes the Releife of lame soldiers - - - - - - -		iij s.	viij d.
To John Bowman (one of the newe Constables) for money by him paid to the high Constables upon warrantes - - - - -		xx s.	
Disbursed also to the High Constables towardes the Repairing of bridges and for other needfull businesse about the towne -		lv s.	vij d.[2]
To the churchwardens for Repairing the Churchyard wall[3]- - - - - - -		xvj s.	vj d.
To the same churchwardens for money paid for Ringing - - - - - - - - -		x s.	

[1] Altered from 4 to 5. This seems to be the account for 1614.

[2] Corrected from "xxix s. vij d." [3] See Note 1, p. 76, and Note 2, p. 91.

For the dinners of the Sembly quest, for writing of their verdict, and the paines, and for taking in of their verdict - - - - xv s. vj d.
For the Repairing of the Townes butt - - xvj d.
[P. 94.] To the Collector for his fee for gathering of the Rentes - - - - ij s. vj d.
for writing of this accompt - - - - xij d.
for money disbursed by the last Collector more then hee hadd received and paid unto him by this Collector as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoninge - - - - - iiij s. x d.
Some disbursed - - ix li. j s. xi d.
Yett to bee Respited
Arthur Stevin for one yeares Rent iij s. iiij d. Widow Taylor xxij d. Nicholas Oxpringe vj s. viij d. William Rogers xiiij s. Richard Birkinshaw vj s. viij d.
Somme of arrerages - xxxij s. vj d.
the somme disbursed and of the arrerages is x li. xiiij s. v d.
So Remaineth in the purse - - 13 s. 11 d.
which was delivered to Roberte Sorsby appointed Collector for the year 1614.[1]

ANNO DOMINI 1615.

[P. 95.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Roberte Sorsby (Collector) there taken the Third daie of June in the year 1615 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money delivered to him att the last Reckoninge - - - - - - - - - xiij s. xj d.
And with one whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - xj li. viij s. iiij d.
and with arrereages remeining the last year xxxij s. vj d.
the sum of the charge is - - - - 13 li. 14 s. 9 d.[2]
Whereof disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, viz.
L. B.[3] To John Attkinson, John Pittes and other labourers for mending parte of the Lady bridge, and for lyme lead Roson[4] and other thinges needfull about the same - xxxix s. v d.

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[1] An error for 1615. Mistakes such as this and the one above show that the accounts were not entered in this book at the time they were passed by the Burgesses.

[2] Corrected from "12 li. 2s. 3d." [3] In a later hand. [4] Resin.

B. Poole.[1] To William Hall for tymber woorke about the Barker poole and drinck[2] 43s. 6d., for leading tymber (being 5 loades) 7s., for loading the same and for drincke bestowed on them that helped to unloade 18d. and for digging and carrying out the Rubbish, 35s. 9d., in all - - - - - - - iiij li. ix s. ix d.

for other needfull buisinesse about the Towne (made knowen to the Burgesses att the making of this accompte)[3] - - - xxvj s. ix d.

To Michaell Stone for his cote - - - - xx s.

For the dinners of the Assembley quest for writing of their verdict and the paines and for taking in of their verdict - - - - xvj s. x d.

To Richard Colton and George Smedley churchwardens for money paid for Ringing - - - - - - - - - ix s. iiij d.

To the Collector for his fee for gathering of the Rentes - - - - - - - - - ij s. vi d.

for writing of this accompt - - - - - xij d.

Somme disbursed - - 10 li. 5 s. 7 d.

To bee Respited as appeareth on the other syde.

[P. 96.] Arrereages of the year 1613

Arthur Stevin iij s. iiij d. [4]Widow Tayler xxij d.

Some - - - - - - 3 s. 4 d.

Arrereages of this last year.

Widow Tayler, xxij d. Richard Hodgson v s. Widow Swindon vj s. viij d. Arthur Stevin iij s. iiij d. [5]Thomas Mawre, iij s. iiij d. Nicholas Oxpringe vj s. viij d. William Rodgers xiiij s. James Fenton ij s. vj d. Lawrence Attkinson xx d.

Some - - - - - 2 li. 1 s. 8 d.

Sum of old and newe arrereages is - - 2 li. 5 s. 0 d.

The some disbursed and of the arrereages is 12 li. 10 s. 7 d.

So Remeineth in the purse xxiiij s. ij d.

which was delivered to Richard Colton appointed Collector for the next year 1615.

The Rent is increased against the next year xiij s. viz.: the house lett to John Tayler beeing formerly 5s. is nowe 16s. yearly and a house newe builded by James Savage is lett for 2s. yearly. So is the whole yeares Rent nowe 12li. 1s. 4d.

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[1] In a later hand. [2] The words "and drinck" are crossed out.

[3] No doubt the accounts were passed by the Burgesses in public meeting.

[4] This entry is crossed out. [5] Mawre's name is crossed out.

ANNO DOMINI 1616.

[P. 97.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Richard Colton (Collector) there taken the Sixteenth daie of May in the year 1616 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

	the Charge.	
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money deliuered to him att the last Reckoning	xxiiij s. ij. d.	
and with one whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - -	xij li. j s. iiij d.	
and with arrereages of Rentes as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - -	xlv s.	
the somme of the charge is - - -	xv li. x s. vj d.	
Wherof disbursed by the said Collector as followeth, viz.:		
To John Pittes for his wages for woorke done by him about the Lady Bridge 9s. 6d., for a load of lime for the same, 1s., for a bushell of malt for blending of his lyme, 8s., for 2 poundes of Rossell[1] 4d., for 5 poundes of iron and as much lead to make crampettes[2] for the bridge xij d., in all - - - - - - - -	xix s.	x d.
To Jo. Atkinson for walling of the Barker poole 15s., for leading of stone 9s. 8d.,[3] for getting of stone 5s., for feying of the same poole, 3s. 4d., and for other laboures about the same, xxij d , in all - - - - - -	xxxiiij s.	x d.
To the Constables, Nicholas Drabble and Anthony Webster, for money by them paid upon warrantes from the high Constables and other buisinesse for the towne - - -	iij li. xj s.	
To James Hill one of the Churchwardens for money by him paid towardes the Releife of lame soldiers - - - - - - -	iij s.	viij d.
To Hugh Robertes and James Hill Churchwardens for money by them paid for Ringing	viij s.	x d.
To Michaell Stone for his cote - - -	xx s.	
for paper for a booke for the Constables Reckoninges - - - - - - -		vj d.
[P. 98.] for the dinners of the Assembley quest and for writing their verdict, and the paines and for taking in of their verdict - - -	xiiij s.	ij d.

[1] Rossin, or rossil, *s.b.* resin.—Addy's *Sheffield Glossary*.

[2] A Cramp-iron. The *New Eng. Dict*, quotes one instance of this word as occurring in a glossary of heraldry in 1766, and queries it as an error.

[3] Corrected from "8s. 4d."

for other needfull buisinesse about the Towne, made knowen att the taking of this accompte iiij s. ij d.
for Ramming the head Stock and for walling of the Barker poole about the same head stock and for a lock and a bolt for the shuttles - ij s. x d.[1]
To Jo. Bonyan[2] one of the ould Constables for money by him disbursed the last year more then hee had Receiued - - - - - xiiij s. iiij d.
To Edward Wood for thinges bought of him for the Townes use - - - - - iiij s. iiij d.
To the Collector for his fee for gathering of the Rentes - - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
for writing of this Accompte - - - - xij d.
the somme disbursed is - - x li. ij s.
Arrereages yet to bee Respited for the year 1613—Arthur Stevin iij s. iiij d. for the year 1614 - Arthur Stevin iij s. iiijd. Richard Hodgson ij s. vj d. for this last year—Arthur Stevin iij s. iiij d. Widow Hodgson vs. Widow Swinden iij s. Thomas Mawre xx d. Widow Tayler xxij d. Nicholas Oxpringe vj s. viij d. William Rogers xiiij s. Lawrence Attkinson xx d.
the somme of old and newe arrereages - - xlvj s. iiij d.
the somme disbursed and of the arrereages is xij li. viij s. iiij d.
So Remaineth in the purse which was deliuered to William Mosley appointed Collector for the next year - - - - - - - iij li. ij s. ij d.
The Rent is increased against the next year - vij s.
viz.: William Rogeres house formerly Rented att 14s. is nowe leased for 20s. Rent, and the house lately Repaired by John Phillipott formerly Rented att 12d. is nowe increased to 2s. Rent.

ANNO DOMINI 1617.

[P. 99.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of William Mosley (Collector) there taken the last daie of May in the year 1617 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.

First the said Collector is to bee charged with money deliuered to him att the last Reckoning iij li. ij s. ij d.
and with one whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - xij li. viij s. iiij d.

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[1] Corrected from "ij s. iij d."

[2] Though Sheffield is far away from Bedfordshire, the name John Bunyan, or Bonyan, occurring in the 17th Century, and near the date of the immortal Bunyan's birth, is worth noting.

and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - xlvj s. iiij d.
the somme of the charge is - xvij li. xvj s. x d.

Wherof Disbursed by the said Collector as followeth, viz.:

To Roberte Stone (the waite of the Towne) for his cote - - - - - - - - xx s.

To Henry Ramsker (one of the Constables) towardes the discharging of the Townes buisinesse - - - - - - - - xx s.

Item paid towardes the paving of a fowle[1] place in the streetes at the Church gates - - xxx s.

for the dinners of the Assembley quest and for writing their verdict and the paines, and for taking in of their verdict - - - - xiiij s. ij d.

paid for bread and drincke att the taking of the last accompte - - - - - - ij s.

paid for other needfull buisinesse about the Towne made knowen att the taking of this Accompte - - - - - - - - viij s. vj d.

for writing of the accompte - - - - xij d.

To the Collector for his Fee for gathering of the Rentes - - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
the summe disbursed is - iiij li. xviij s. ij d.

Arrereages yett to bee Respited.

William Rogers xiiij s. Widow Lee ix d. Arthur Courtnall xx d. Arthur Steven xiij s. iiij d. Thomas Mawre v s. Widow Taylour ij s. ix d. Richard Hancock xij d. [P. 100.] Anne Atkinson v s. iiij d. Lawrence Attkinson v s. Nicholas Oxpringe vj s. viij d.
the summe of tharrereages - - 2 li. 15s. 6d.
the summe disbursed and of tharrereages is vij li. xiij s. viij d.

So Remeineth in the purse which was deliuered to Roberte Howsley appointed Collector for the next year - - - - - - - 10 li. 3s. 2d.

The Rent is increased against the next year xiij s. iiij d. viz.: Swindens house formerly Rented att 6s. 8d. is nowe leased att xx s. Rent.

Anno Domini 1618.

[P. 101.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Roberte Howsley (Collector) there taken the xxijth of May in the year 1618 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

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[1] Fowle, *i.e.*, dirty place.

the Charge.

First the said Collector is to bee charged with money deliuered to him at the last Reckoninge - - - - - - - - - x li. iij s. ij d.

And with one whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - - - xiij li. j s. viij d.

And with tharrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - lv s. vj d.

the summe of the charge is - - xxvj li. iiij d.

Wherof Disbursed by the said Collecttor as followeth, viz.:

To Michaell Stone (the waite of the Towne) for his Cote - - - - - - - - xx s.

paid for mending the Pinfold yate - - - vj d.

for bread and drincke att the taking of the last accompte - - - - - - - - ij s.

for entring the last yeares Constables accompte in the booke - - - - - - - - xij d.

To John Atkinson for amending the Arches of the Bridge - - - - - - - - vij s.

To John Oldale for walling 9 daies at the Barker poole, 9s., to Gilberte Lewis for Ramming the banck 5s., to Colborne for serving Oldale 3s., to Richard Hancock for stone 2s., to Roberte Clarke for stone, 12d., to Nicholas Staniforth for leading of stone, 8d., to Jo: Lastlosse for leading of stone 4s., to John Cutt for leading stone 2s., to Shore for walling 12d., to Anthony Hibbert and other labourers for clensing the poole and casting out of Earth, 7s. 8d., To Leonard Robertes for housroome for timber for the poule 12d., to Leonard Webster for 4 Rayles 2s., to Courtnall for 88 yardes of bordes 13s. 4d., to Richard Rose for 5c. of nailes 3s. 4d., to Roberte Askew for setting of stapes[1] and Rayles 4s., to Stubbes for making hooles 10d., to William Hall for paling about the poule 20s., and to Thomas Beighton for helping 2s. 2d., in all - - - - - - iiij li. ij s.

[P. 102.] for the dinners of the Assembley quest, for writing their verdict and paines, and taking in of the same - - - - - xiij s.

for writing of this Accompte - - - - - xij d.

for the Collectors fee - - - - - - ij s. vj d.

the Sum disbursed - - - - vj li. ix d.

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[1] Stoops, posts. Compare *stapel*, a bed-post.

Arrereages yett to bee respited.

William Rogers xiiij s, Widow Lee ix d. Arthur Stevin xiij s. iiij d. Widow Tayler ij s. ix d. Lawrence Attkinson viij s. iiij d. Nicholas Oxpringe iij s. iiij d.

the sum of tharrereages - - xlij s. vj d.

The sum disbursed and of tharrereages - viij li. xj s. vj d.

[1] So Remeineth in the purse which was deliuered.

Moreouer ytt appeareth that there was further disbursed by the said Collector Roberte Howsley:

To the last yeares Constables towardes the discharging of the Townes buisinesse - - xlvj s.

And for charges about Francis Bower - - xv s. viij d.

To Roberte Sorsby laid downe by him for necessaries aboute the Towne - - - v s. ij d.

the Sum of these last disbursed - 3 li. 6s. 10d.

So is the whole summe disbursed and of tharrereages - - - - - - xj li. xviij s. iiij d.

So Remeineth in the purse which was deliuered to James Creswick appointed Collector for the next year - - - - - - xiiij s. i[1] d.

The Rent is increased against the next year v s., viz.: Thomas Trickettes house formerly Rented att vj s. is nowe leased for xj s. yearly.

Anno Domini 1619.

[P. 103.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of James Creswick (Collector) there taken the 14th daie of May in the year 1619 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.

First the said Collector is to bee charged with money Remeining att the last Reckoning - xiiij li. ij s.

and with one whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - xiij li. vj s. viij d.

and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - - ij li. ij s. vj d.

the summe of the charge is - - 29 li. 11s. 2d.

Wherof disbursed by the said Collector as followeth, viz.:

for entering the last yeares Constable accompt in the booke - - - - - - - xij d.

for bread and drincke att the taking of the last accompte - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.

To young Stone (the waite) for his cote - - xx s.

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[1] This line is crossed out.

paid for needfull buisinesse about the Towne made knowen to the Rest att the taking of this accompt - - - - - -	iiij s.	
To Nicholas Staniforth for leading of stone to the church yeard wall - - - - -	v s.	vj d.
to his men - - - - - - - -		iiij d.
To Thomas Arnold for his worke for all the wall sauing the Topp stones (beeing hyred by great)[1] - - - - - - - -	xij s.	iiij d.
for the Topp stones - - - - - - -	ix s.	vj d.
for hewing them - - - - - - -	iij s.	
for lyme for setting the stones - - - -	ij s.	iiij d.
for ale for the woorkmen - - - - -		iiij d.
To Peter Kent for digging upp and carying the shruffe[2] to an heape - - - -		xij d.
for writing the Juries verdict - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
To Nicholas Staniforth (the forman of the Jury) for the Assembly for their dinners - -	xj s.	
for writing this accompte - - - - -		xij d.
The Collectors fee - - - - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
the Sum disbursed - - -	3 li.	18s. 10d.

Arrereages yett to bee respited.

Widow Swinden x s. Arthur Stevin xvj s. viij d. [P. 104.] Widow Lee ix d. Roberte Stevin iii s. iiij d. Widow Tayler xxij d. Humfrey Youle x s. Nicholas Oxpringe x s. William Rogers xiiij s. Mr. Cowper iij s. Lawrence Attkinson xj s. viij d.

the sum of tharrereages - -	4 li.	1s. 3d.
the sum disbursed and areare is - - -	8 li.	0s. 1d.
So Remaineth in the purse which was delivered to Richard Shemeld appointed Collector for the next year - - - - - -	xxj li.	xj s. j d.

ANNO DOMINI 1620.

[P. 105.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Richard Shemeld (Collector) there taken the First daie of June 1620 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.

First the said Collector is to bee charged with money Remeining att the last Reckoning -	xxj li.	xj s. j d.

[1] Working by *great* is working by the piece, and not by the day. The *daytal* men worked by the day.

[2] Apparently refuse, rubbish, scrapings. Identical with *scurf*, by metathesis of the *r*. An important and interesting word.

And with one whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - xiij li. vj s. viij d.
And with Arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoninge - - - - - - iiij li. j s. iij d.
The sum of the charge is - - 38 li. 19s. od.
Wherof Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:
for entring the last yeares Constables accompt in the Booke - - - - - - - xij d.
for Bread and Drincke att the taking of the last accompte - - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
To young Stone (the waite) for his cote - - xx s.
To Francis More, for his charges to London, and money there by him disbursed about the Towne's buisiness[1] - - - - - iij li. xviij s. vj d.
To Richard Jenninges and John Atkinson, for paving the Bridge and a little parte of the way on this syde towardes the Towne, being 590 yards att 2d. the yard, 4 li. 18s. 4d.; for paving about the wood bridge, 0 li. 13s. 2d.
To James Capper, Nicholas Staniforth, John Buttler, and Godfrey Harwood for leading of stones and sand, and for gathering of the same stones, 4 li. 10s. 11d., for a horse load of lyme, 1s. 1d., for other woorke about the bridge, 3s. 6d., for ale to the workmen, 1s. 9d.
To Arthur Courtnall and Steevenson, for making the little wood bridge there and the stoopes, 0 li. 15s. 8d.; for making stoopholes, 1s., and for 2 baskettes,[2] 5d., in all - - xj li. v s. x d.
For carrying of rubbish from the church stile - iiij s.
For the dinners of thassembly quest and for writing their verdict and paines and for taking in of the same verdict - - - - xiij s. vj d.
To William Holland and George Lee, which was disbursed by them when they went to Welbeck about the Townes buisinesse - - iij s. iij d.
[P. 106.] for writing of this accompte 1620 - xij d.
The Collectours Fee - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
To Thomas Wheelewright for dressing the Buckettes[3] - - - - - - - - xviij d.
The Summa disbursed - - 17 li. 13s. 7d.

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[1] Apparently some law suit.

[2] Earth was carried in baskets. See a long discourse about "the materials for barrows carried in baskets," in *Notes and Queries*, 8th S., Vol. X.

[3] Perhaps the buckets for putting fires out kept in the church, referred to *ante* p. 81.

Arrereages yett to bee Respited.
Widow Swinden x s. Arthur Stevin xviij s. iiij d. Widow Lee ix d. Widow Tayler xxij d. Humfrey Youle x s. William Rogeres xij s. Lawrence Attkinson xj s. viij d.

The summe of tharrereages - - 3 li. 4s. 7d.
The sum disbursed and areare is - - - 20li. 18s. 2d.
So Remaineth in the purse which was deliuered to James Bright appointed Collector for the next year - - - - - - - xviij li. x d.

ANNO DOMINI 1621.

[P. 107.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of James Bright, (Collector) there taken the Fyfteenthe daie of May 1621 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.

First the said Collector is to bee charged with money Remeining att the last Reckoning - xviij li. x d.
And with one whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - xiij li. vj s. viij d.
And with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - iij li. iiij s. vij d.
the Sum of the Charge is - - 34 li. 12s. 1d.

Wherof Disbursed by the said Collector as followeth, vizt.:
To Thomas Wheelewright for dressing the Buckettes - - - - - - - xviij d.
for bread and ale att the taking of the last accompt - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
For a locke for Barker's poole - - - - v d.
To young Stone (the wayt) for his cote - - xx s.
for the dinners of thassembly quest and for writing their verdict and paines, and for takeing in of the same verdict - - - xiiij s. x d.
To Phillipp Gill for 4 loades of stones, 2s., to Nicholas Staniforth for leading of the same, 2s., and to John Shore for his worke, 4s. 6d., about the little Bridge att Barkers poole, in all viij s. vj d.
for writing of this accompte - - - - xij d.
The Collectours fee - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
the sum disbursed is - - - 2 li. 11s. 3d.
Arrereages yett to bee Respited.
Widow Swinden x s. Arthur Stevin xvj s. viij d. Widow Lee ix d. Widow Tayler xxij d. Humfrey Youle x s. William Rogers x s. Lawrence Attkinson xj s. viij d.

the Sum of tharrereages - - 3 li. os. 11d.

the Sum disbursed and areare is - - - 5 li. 12s. 2d.
So Remaineth in the purse which was deliuered to Edward Hill appointed Collector for the next year - - - - - - xxviij li. xix s. xj d.

ANNO DOMINI 1622.

[P. 108.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Edward Hill (Collector) there taken the Seventhe daie of June 1622 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.

First the said Collector is to bee charged with money Remeining att the last Reckoning xxviij li. xix s. xj d.
And with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last of ould, 13 li. 6s. 8d., and of newe, 5 li. 4s. 2d., in all - - - - - xviij li. x s. x d.

vizt.:					li.	s.	d.
William Creswickes house formerly 16s. is nowe					1	13	4
George Shemeldes formerly 13s. 4d. is nowe					1	0	0
Widow Blythes and William Walton, ould 12s. newe					1	6	8
Jo. Butler - - -	0	16s.	8d.	newe	1	6	8
Widow Birley, ould -	0	11	0	newe	0	16	0
Jo. Hall - - - -	0	9	0	newe	0	14	0
Thomas Speightes new builded - - -					0	3	0
Roberte Ash - - ould	0	5	0	newe	0	8	0
Jo. Cowper - - ould	0	3	0	newe	0	8	0
Lawrence Atkinson -		3	4	- -	0	5	0
Godfrey Harwood - -	0	3	0	- -	0	6	0
Widow Stacy - - -	0	12	0	- -		13	4
Richard and Thomas Robertes -	0	5	0	- -	0	8	0
Arthur Stevin - -	0	3	4	- -	0	4	0
William Lodge - -	0	3	2	- -	0	5	0
Jo. Marr - - -	0	1	0	- -	0	2	0
Richard Hancock - -	-	-		- -	0	2	0
Humphrey Youles house	1 li	-		nowe	2	0	0

(the Rest are still the same Rentes they weare)
And with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - iij li. xj d.
the Sum of the charge is - - 50 li. 11s. 8d.

Wherof Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:
To Thomas Wheelewright for dressing the Buckettes - : - - - - - xviij d.

for bread and ale att the taking of the last accompt - - - - - - - - ij s.
To young Stone (the waite) for his Cote - - xx s.
For the dinners of thassembley quest and for writing their verdict and paines and for taking in of the same verdict - - - xiij s. vj d.
To John Shore for walling the pinnfould wall which fell - - - - - - - - xvj d.
[P. 109.) paid for the justices charges, viz., Mr Wombwelles and Mr Westes charges and their mennes when they came to viewe the Bridge - - - - - - - - - viij s. viij d.
for Tenn horse loades of lyme for the Bridge - ix s. ij d.
for iron and crampettes used about the Bridge- vj s.
for stones and leading - - - - - - iij s.
To Thomas Arnold and his men for their woorke about the Bridge and couching[1] the lyme - - - - - - - - - - xxiij s. iiij d.
To Richard Jenninges for paving the Bridge 250 yardes att 2d. quarter[2] the yard - - xlvij s.
To Brocksopp for his gate[3] with a letter to Mr Wombwell - - - - - - - - - x d.
To Arthur Stevin, for carrying a lettere to Mr West - - - - - - - - - - xij d.
For lead and coals - - - - - - - iij s. x d.
for leading of sand labourers wages about the woorke and other necessaries about the bridge as appeared by particulars, att the taking of this accompt - - - - - viij s. iij d.
For the charges of Thomas Skargill, George Lee, and Edward Hill, in going to the Sessions att Pontefract about the Bridge, and money by them there disbursed - - - xxj s.
To John Shore for making the Little bridge att Barkers poole - - - - - - - iij s. ij d.
For writing of this Accompte - - - - - ij s.
The Collectours Fee - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
For drawing of peticions orders and diuerse other thinges about the Bridge, the money due to the poore, and other necessary thinges x s.
the Sum disbursed is - - - 9 li. 8s. 1d.
Arrereages yett to bee respited.
Widow Swinden xv s. vj d. Arthur Stevin xviij s. viij d. Widow Lee ix d. Widow Tayler xxij d. Humfrey Youle x s. William Rogeres xx s. Lawrence Attkinson xvj s.

[1] Laying down, bedding in the walls, [2] Query, 2¼d. [3] Gate=going.

viij d. William Creswick xvj s. viij d. Nicholas Oxpringe vj s. viij d. Roberte Ash viij s. Jo. Cowper viij s. [P. 110.] Godfrey Harwood iij s. George Brewell viij s. William Walton and Widow[1] Blythe xxvj s. viij d. Thomas Speight iij s.

the summe of tharrereages - - 7 li. 6s. 9d.
The Sum disbursed and areare - - xvj li. xiiij s. xd.
So Remeineth which was deliuered to Christofer Capper, appointed Collector for the next year - - - - - - xxxiij li. xvj s. xd.

Anno Domini 1623.

The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Christofer Capper (Collector) there taken the Thirtieth daie of May 1623 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended at Martinmas last.

the Charge.

First the said Collector is to bee charged with money Remeining att the last Reckoning xxxiij li. xvj s. xd.
And with a whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - - - xviij li. xs. xd.
And with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - -vij li. vj s. ixd.

the summe of the charge is - - 59 li. 14s. 5d.

Wherof Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:

To Thomas Wheelwright for dressing the Buckettes - - - - - - - - xviij d.
for the Burgesses charges att the takeing of the last accompte - - - - - - v s.
for charges about the Bridge, vizt.: for 6 loades of lyme 5s., for a Bushell of malt, 8s., for whittening stuffe, 7d,, for Allom 2d., for Eight poundes of lead 7d., for 4 iron crampetes, 13d., for leading of sand, 6d., for cariage of gravell, 4d., and to Thomas Arnold for his worke about the same Bridge 1 li. 13s. 4d., in all - - - - - - - - xlix s. vij d.
for some paleing att Barkers poole - - - vj s. vj d.
[P. 111.] for charges about necessary buisinesse concerning the Towne and the poore - vij s.
for the dinners of thassembly quest and for writing their verdict and paines and for takeing in of the same verdict - - - xiij s. vj d.

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[1] Corrected from "Mathew."

for sweepeing the Bridge and pavement att the churchegates - - - - - -	iiij s.	
for the charges of Roberte Howsley in going to the Sessions att Pontefract about the Bridge	v s.	ij d.
for the charges of Richard Shemeld and James Creswick in going to Sawforth about the Townes buisinesse - - - - -	xviij s.	v d.
For advice taken about the moneyes[1] given by the late Erle of Shrewsbury, Lord George, for the benefitt of the towne, and for necessary businesse concerning the Towne - -	xxx s.	
For charge of 2 Kings letteres, and the serving of them on some of the Tenantes which paid not their rents[2] - - - - - -	iiij s.	x d.
To young Stone (the waite) for his cote - -	xx s.	
for writing of this Accompt - - - -	ij s.	
giuen to Alexander Anderson - - - -		xij d.
The Collectours fee - - - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
the Sum disbursed - - -	8 li.	11 s.	od.

Arrereages yett to bee respited.

Widow Swinden xxxv s. vj d. Arthur Stevin xxij s. viij d. Widow Lee ix d. Widow Tayler iij s. viij d. Humfrey Youle l s. William Rogeres xxx s. Lawrence Attkinson xxj s. viij d. William Creswick xxxiij s. iiij d. Nicholas Oxpring vj s. viij d. Roberte Ash ix s. Jo: Cowper xvj s. Godfrey Harwood vj s. George Brewell viij s. Widow Blythe xxiiij s. Thomas Speight vj s. Thomas Trickett xj s. George Shimeld xx s. Richard Hancock ij s. Richard Robertes iiij s. Widow Robinson xviij d.

the sum of tharrereages - -	15 li.	11 s.	9 d.
the sum disbursed and areare - - - -	24	2	9
So Remaineth which was deliuered to Leonard Webster appointed Collector for the next year - - - - - - - -	xxxv li	xj s.	viij d.

ANNO DOMINI 1624.

[P. 112.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Leonard Webster (Collector) there taken the Sixteenthe daie of June 1624 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

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[1] The words "due to the poore" are here erased.

[2] These King's letters would be, in the legal language of the present day, writs. In 1624 and 1625 we find the suits prosecuted against the two tenants Arthur Steven and Lawrence Atkinson.

the Charge.

Charge. First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining att the last Reckoning - - - - - - - xxxv li. xj s. viij d.

And with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - - xviij li. x s. x d.

And with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - xv li. xj s. ix d.

the sum of the charge is - - 69 li. 14s. 3d.

Wherof Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:

Disbursementes. To widow Wheelewright for dressing the Buckettes - - - - - - xij d.

for the Burgesses charges att the takeing of the last accompte - - - - - - - iij s. iiij d.

for Repairing the Little bridge att the Lady Bridge end and the Bridge att Barkers poole v s.

for amending the pinfould yate - - - xiiij d.

for sweepeing the Bridge and pavement att the church yates - - - - - - - vj s.

for charges aboute the Townes buisinesse - xviij d.

To young Stone (the waite) for his cote - - xx s.

for the dinners of thassembly quest and for writing their verdict and paines, and for takeing in of the same verdict - - - xiij s. vj d.

for writing this accompte - - - - - - ij s.

The Collectours fee - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.

the Sum disbursed - - - 2 li. 16s. od

Arrereages yett to be respited.

Widow Swinden's house 1 s. vj d. Arthur Stevin xxvj s. viij d. Widow Lee ix d. Widow Tayler iij s. viij d. Humfrey Youle iiij li. x s. [P. 113.] Arrereages. William Rogeres xxx s. Lawrence Attkinson xxvj s. viij d. William Creswick xxxiij s. iiij d. Nicholas Oxpringe xiij s. iiij d. Roberte Ash xvij s. Jo: Cowper xxiiij s. Godfrey Harwood ix s. George Brewell viij s. Widow Blythe xxiiij s.[1] (24s.). Thomas Speight ix s. George Shemeld xx s. Richard Hancock xij d. Richard Robertes viij s. Widow Robinson iij s.

the Sum of tharrereages - - 19 li. 17s. 11d.

the Sum disbursed and areare is - - 22 13 11

So Remaineth - - - - - - - xlvij li. iiij d.

Wherof 40 li. was laid upp in a deske att Roberte Rollinson's, the other 7 li. and 4d. was deliuered to Nicholas Staniforth appointed Collector for the next year - - li. 7 s. 0 d. 4

[1] Corrected from "xxij s."

ANNO DOMINI 1625.

The Burgery of the towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Nicholas Staniforth (Collector) there taken the 23th of June 1625 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.

Charged. First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining att the last Reckoning - - - - - - - xlvij li. iiij d.
And with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - xviij li. x s. x d.
And with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - xix li. xvij s. xj d.
the Sum of the charge is - - 85 li. 9s. 1d.

Wherof Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt,:

Disbursed. For the Burgesses charges att the taking of the last accompte - - - - iij s. iiij d.
To young Stone (the waite) for his cote - - xx s.
for the dinners of thassembley quest and for writing their verdict and paines - - - xij s. vj d.
for charges of suite against Arthur Stevin and Lawrence Atkinson Two tenantes that paid not their Rentes - - - - - - v s.
for sweepeing the Bridge and pavement att the church yates - - - - - - vj s.
for amending the Towne's butt - - - ij s.
for wine bestowed on the Lord Darcie when he came to proclaime King Charles [1] - - v s.
for writing this Accompt [2] - - - - ij s.
The collectours fee - - - - - ij s. vj d.
The sum disbursed - 2 li. 18 s. 4d.

Arrereages to be respited. Richard Robertes x s. Widow Lee ix d. Widow Swindens house lij s. vj d. Arthur Stevin xxiiij s. viij d. Widow Tayler iij s. viij d. Richard Hancock xij d. Humfrey Youle vj li. x s. William Creswick xxxiij s. iiij d. Nicholas Oxspring vj s. viij d. William Rogeres xxx s. Robert Ash xxv s. Jo: Cooper xxxij s. Godfrey Harwood xij s. Lawrence Attkinson xxj s. viii d. George Brewell xxiiij s. Widow Blythe xxxvj s. George Shemeld xx s. Thomas Speight x s. vj d. Widow Robinson iij s.
the sum of tharrereages 23 li. 16s. 9d.
the Sum disbursed and areare is 25li. 19s. 1d.[3]

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[1] Rotherham treated Lord Darcye to the extent of 4s. when he performed the same office in that town.

[2] Corrected from "xij s."

[3] Wrongly cast.

So remaineth 58li. 14s. whereof 50li. was laid upp; the other 8li. 14s. was deliuered to William Birley appointed Collector for the next year.

Memorandum that Youles lease being before 40s. per annum is lett to Jo: Clayton for 4 markes[1] per annum the first begining att Pentecost 1625 and Clayton hath giuen securitie for 3 li. Candlemas next and 3li. Candlemas following. That of the 6li. 10s. areare the other x s. by consent is abated.

Memorandum also that the Rent of Cowpers house is by consent abated to Godfrey Harwood during the minoritie of Cowpers youngest child[2] from 8s. to 3s. per annum and of Godfrey Harwoodes garden Rent being before 3s.[3] and nowe 2s. 6d the arrereage beeing 9d. was abated.

ANNO DOMINI 1626.

[P. 115.] The Burgerie of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of William Birley (Collector) there taken the Tenthe daie of June 1626 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the Burgesses or free tenantes there for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

	the charge.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining att the last Reckoning -	lviij li. xiiij s.
And with a whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - .	xviij li. xviij s. viij d.
And with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning (saving the abatementes att the foote of the last page) - -	xxj li. xvij s. iij d.
the Sum of the charge is - -	99 li. 9s. 11d.

[1] Equal to £2. 13s. 4d.

[2] Harwood seems to have been the guardian or trustee of Cowper's children, or possibly of the youngest child only. In some modern wills property is settled in trust to be sold and divided when the youngest child is of age. Such may have been the case here, though it is unlikely. The mention of the youngest child as the apparent heir seems rather to point to the old tenure of junior right or borough English, a tenure which is older than political history. This tenure existed in Nottingham, and shows a distinction of race. There the market-place was divided by a stone wall, marking a separation of classes, or races, like the Irish Cross and the Market Cross in Sheffield. For borough English, see Elton's *Origins of English Hist.*; Elton's *Law of Copyholds*; Letourneau's *Property, its Origin and Development*; Gomme's *Village Community*, p. 246; Stevenson's *Records of the Borough of Nottingham*; and especially Seebohm's *Village Community*, p. 352. Compare also the favoured Benjamin in the Bible. The fact that borough English does not now exist in Sheffield does not furnish absolute proof of its non-existence at this period.

[3] Corrected from 3s. 9d.

Wherof Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:

For charges bestowed on the burgesses who weare present att the taking of the last accompte - - - - - - - -	iij s.	
For charges in suite against Stevin and Atkinson when they would not pay their Rentes as appeared by particulers at the taking of this accompte - - - - - - - -	xij s.	iiij d.
for charges bestowed in reparacions about the Bridge as appeareth likewise by particulers -	xviij s.	viij d.
To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	xx s.	
To Thomas Rollinson for amending the Buckettes - - - - - - - -	iij s.	viij d.
For charges in going to Winfeild about the moneys due to their poore - - - -	xix s.	ij d.
for sweepeing the Bridge and pavement att the church yates - - - - - - - -	vj s.	
for the dinners of thassembley quest and writing their verdict - - - - - - - -	xij s.	vj d.
for amending the Townes Butt - - - -	ij s.	
To John Clayton towardes his charges in suite spent against Youle - - - - - -	x s.	
for writing this accompt - - - - - -	ij s.	
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	ij s.	vj d.
To the Belman - - - - - - - -	ij s,	
the Sum disbursed - - -	7 li.	2s. 10d.

[P. 116.] Arrereages to bee respited.

Widow Robertes x s. Richard Lee ix d. Widow Robinson iij s. Widow Firth xiiij s. John Hartley xxiij s. Thomas Richardson x s. Jo: Swinden vij s. Arthur Stevin xxvj s. viij d. Widow Tayler iij s. viij d. Richard Hancock xij d. Jo: Clayton for Humfrey Youle iij li. William Creswick xxxiij s. iiij d. William Rogeres xxx s. Robert Ash xxviij s. Lawrence Attkinson ij s. vj d. Edward Hobson hath promised to paie att Midsomer next, which the said Lawrence is likewise behind, xx s. George Brewell xl s. William Walton for Widow Blythe xlviij s. Thomas Speight xij s.

The Sum of tharrereages is - -	18 li.	12s.	11d.
The Sum disbursed and areare is - - -	25	15	9
So Remeineth (with 18d. arrereage upon Swinden's house) more then hee was charged withall - - - - - - - - -	73 li.	15s.	8d.
Of which there is lett to William Staniforth -	25 li.		
and to Phillipp Gill - - - - - - -	25 li.		

The Rest beeing 23 li. 15s. 8d. was deliuered to James Creswick the younger appointed Collector for the next year.

Memorandum—that William Birley received for this £50 lett out till the 25th of July next 50s. of which hee paid by consent for the dinners of them that tooke this accompte 7s. and for the repaire of Burtland well 10s. the other 33s., he then deliuered to James Creswick the next collector.[1]

ANNO DOMINI 1627.

[P. 117.] The Burgery of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of James Creswick the younger (Collector) there taken the First daie of June, 1627 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the Burgesses or free tenantes there for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the charge.

Charge. First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining att the last Reckoning - - - - - lxxiij li. xv s. viij d.
And with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - xviij li. xviij s. viij d.
And with arrereages as appeareth at the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - xviij li. xij. s. xj d.
And with money hee received of William Birley the last Collector (as appeareth at the foote of the last page) - - - - - - xxxiij s.
And with money received for interest this last year for the money lent viz.

of Philip Gill - - - - -	1	5	0	in all iij li. iiij s. ij d.
of William Staniforth - - -	1	5	0	
of Adam Bate - - - - -	0	5	0	
of George Pearson - - - -	0	4	7	
of George Hobson - - - -	0	4	7	

the Sum of the charge is - - 116li. 4s. 5d.

Whereof Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, viz.:

Disbursed. To Stone (the waite) for his cote - xx s.
For charges in newe making the church stile as appeareth by particulrs showen att the taking of this accompt - - - - - - - xv s. vj d.
For Rayling the Bridge att the Barkers poole - ix s. vj d.
For charge about Burtland well - - - xv d.
For charges in walling about the wood bridge in the nether end of the Castle greene - - iiij s. iij d.
for mending the pinfould wall and stones to it - vij s. ij d.

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[1] The property of the Burgesses was now yielding more than was absorbed by the annual expenses, and as capital thus accumulated the townsmen lent it, probably on bond or personal security.

for the dinners of thassembly quest and writing their verdict - - - - - - - xiij s. vj d.
for sweeping the Lady Bridge and the pavement att the church yates - - - - - vj s.
for writing this accompt - - - - - ij s.
To the Bellman - - - - - - ij s.
The Collectours fee - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
the Sum disbursed - - - 4 li. 3s. 8d.

[P. 118.] 1627—Arrereages to bee respited.

Widow Robertes viij s. Richard Lee ix d. Widow Robinson iij s. Widow Firth xiiij s. John Hartley xxiij s. Thomas Richardson x s. Jo: Swinden vij s. Arthur Stevin xxx s. viij d. Hugh Milnes iij s. viij d. Richard Hancock xij d. Jo: Clayton xxvj s. viij d. William Rogers xxx s. Widow Ash xxxvj s. Lawrence Attkinson vij s. vj d. George Brewell viij s. Thomas Speight xv s.

the Sum of tharrereages is - - 11 li. 4s. 3d.

The Sum disbursed and areare is - - -	15	7	11
So Remeineth - - - - - - -	c li.	xvj s.	vj d.
Of which in William Staniforthes hand - -	25 li.	0	0
In Phillip Gilles hand - - - - - -	25	0	0
in Adam Bates - - - - - - -	5	0	0
in George Pearsons - - - - - - -	5	0	0
and in George Hobsons hand - - - - -	5	0	0
in all -	65	0	0

The Rest beeing 35 li. 16s. 6d. was deliuered to Anthony Ellis appointed Collector for the next year.

Anno Domini 1628.

[P. 119.] The Burgery of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Anthony Ellis (Collector) there taken the Fytte daie of June, 1628, for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the Burgesses or free tenantes there for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the charge.

Charge. First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining att the last Reckoning - - - - - - c li. xvj s. vj d.
And with a whole yeares rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - xviij li. xviij s. viij d.
And with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoninge - - - - xj li. iiij s. iij d.

And with money receiued for interest this last year for money lent, viz:

	li.	s.	d.	
of Phillipp Gill - - - -	1	5	0	in all iij li. v s.
of William Staniforth - - -	1	5	0	
of Adam Bate - - - -	0	5	0	
of George Pearson - - - -	0	5	0	
of George Hobson - - - -	0	5	0	

and of James Bright for 2 loades of stone which hee had from the Barkers poole - - - xvj d.

the sum of the charge is - - - 134 li. 5s. 9d.

Wherout Disbursed by the said Collector as followeth, vizt:

Disbursed. To Stone (the waite) for his coate xx s.

For charges about the Lady Bridge, 4s. 6d., for charges about the stone staires there, 9s. 4d., and for the wood bridge att the end thereof xx d., and which was giuen to Christofer Birley for keepeing open the sincke there xij d. in all - - - - - - - xvj s. vj d.

for charges about the procuring of tymber for a woorke-house for the poore - - - iij li. xvj s. ix d.

for charges about Barkers poole as appeared by particulers showen att the takeing of this accompte - - - - - - - xij li. iiij d.

for the dinners of thassembly quest and writing their verdict - - - - - - - xiij s. vj d.

for sweepeing the Lady Bridge and the pauement att the Church yates - - - - vj s.

for the dinners of those who weare present att the takeing of the last yeares accompt - - vij s.

for writing this accompte - - - - - ij s.

[P. 120.] ANNO DOMINI 1628.

To the Bellman - - - - - - - ij s.

The Collectours fee - - - - - - - ij s. vj d.

The Sum disbursed - - 19 li. 6s. 7d.

Arrereages to bee respited.

Widow Robertes viij s. Richard Lee ix d. Widow Firth xiiij s. Jo: Hartley xxiij s. Thomas Richardson x s. Jo: Swinden vij s. Arthur Stevin xxx s. viij d. Hugh Milnes iij s. viij d. Richard Hancock xij d. William Rogeres xxx s. Widow Ashe xl s. Lawrence Attkinson xij s. vj d. George Brewell viij s. George Shemeld x s. Thomas Speight xviij s.

the sum of the Arrereages - 10 li. 16s. 7d.

The sum disbursed and areare is - - - 30 3 2

So Remeineth - - - - - - -	ciiij li.	ij s.	vij d.
Of which in William Staniforthes hand -	- 25 li.	os.	od.
in Phillipp Gilles hand - - - -	- 25	0	0
in Adam Bates hand - - - -	- 5	0	0
in George Pearsons hand - - -	- 5	0	0
in all	- 60	0	0

The Rest beeing 44 li. 2s. 7d. was deliuered to Thomas Skargell appointed Collector for this next year.

Memorandum—that the house wherin Widow Robinson dwelt (formerly lett for 18d. per annum) was this day by a general consent lett to her sonne Thomas Robinson for 5s. per annum. And the house wherin Widow Ashe dwelleth was lett by consent to George Jackson her brother who hath undertaken to pay the arrer thereof by 5s. per annum and to suffer his sister to have Romme there.

Anno Domini 1629.

[P. 121.] The Burgery of Sheffeld.—The Accompte of Thomas Skargell (Collector) there taken the Sixt daie of June 1629 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the Burgesses or free tenantes there for one whole yeare ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.

Charge. First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining att the last reckoning - - - - - - - ciiij li. ij s. vij d.

and with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - - - xix li. ij s. ij d.

and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last reckoning - - - - - x li. xvj s. vij d.

and with money Received for interest this last year for the money lent, vizt., of

	li.	s.	d.	
Phillipp Gill - - - - -	1	5	0	in all iij li. v s.
William Staniforth - - - -	1	5	0	
Adam Bate - - - - -	0	5	0	
George Pearson - - - -	0	5	0	
George Hobson - - - -	0	5	0	

And with money received from Mr. Toller which was spared of the 3 li. 16s. 4d. deliuered out the last year for charges about procuring of tymber for the workehouse[1] - - - - vij s.

the Sum of the Charge - - 137 li. 13s. 4d.

[1] The burgesses were beginning rather tardily to carry out the Act of 1601. We shall find them leasing a piece of ground from the Capital

Wherout Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:

Disbursed. To Stone (the waite) for his coate - xx s.

for charges about the Lady Bridge as appeared by particulers shewed att the takeing of this accompte - - - - - - - - xxij s. iiij d.

for the dinners of thassembley quest and writing their verdict - - - - - - - xiij s. vj d.

for sweeping the Lady Bridge and the pavement att the church yates - - - - - - ij s.

To Christofer Birley for keepeing open the sincke att the end of the bridge - - - xij d.

[P. 122.] 1629. for the dinners of those who weare present att the takeing of the last accompt - - - - - - - - x s.

For charges layd out last year about the building of the workehouse—viz., Roberte Brodebent and Lawrence Shore for their time and consent for the croft where the workehouse is to bee builded, 5 li.; to the keepers for marking of 15 trees,[1] 5s.; to Hick for his daies worke then, 12d.; to the Carpenters for felling the same trees, 16s.; for ale for them, 16d.; for making the sawepitts, 10s.; for the carpenters charges in going to Newarke to see their woorkehouse, 8s.; for breaking[2] the tymber, 12 li.; to the masones and wallers, 16 li.; for drincke for them, 14d.: for 62 horse loades of lyme, 30 li. 3s. 7d.; for 4 Riddles and for riddleing and wheeleing of earth, 6s. 11d.; charges about loading and leading of tymber as appeared by particulrs showed £2 3s. 9d.; for a yate to the croft and hanging of it and hedging the croft, 8s. 8d.: and for charges in Riding ale[3] given att diuerse meetings and other charges about the said worke (the particulars whereof weare showed att the taking of this accompt), £3 16s. 4d.—in all - - - - - - - - - - xlv li. j s. ix d.

Burgesses and building a workhouse—the old workhouse that formerly stood on the site of the Westbar pump.

[1] When William Dickenson built his house in Sheffield, in 1575, the first thing procured was eight trees. Our forefathers seemed to have no scruple about using green wood.

[2] Cutting up. See *New Eng. Dict.* In building a house at this period the whole of the timber framework was put together and reared; then the stone, or the lath and plaster, was filled in.

[3] Compare the stirrup cup.

for writing this accompt - - - - - ij s.
To the Bellman - - - - - - ij s.
The Collectours fee - - - - - - ij s. vj d.
The Sum disbursed - - - 48 li. 17s. 1d.
Arrereages to bee respited.

Arrereages.—Widow Robertes x s. Richard Lee ix d. Widow Firth xiiij s. John Hartley xxiij s. Thomas Richardson x s. Jo: Swinden vij s. Arthur Stevin xxxij s. viij d.

[P. 123.] Anno Domini 1629.—*Arrereages.* Hugh Milnes iij s. viii d. Richard Hancock xij d. William Rogeres xxx s. George Jackson xxxvj s. Lawrence Attkinson xvij s. vj d. George Brewell xxiiij s. George Shemeld x s. Thomas Speight xviij s. & iijs. Widow Hodgson xv d.

the sum of the arrereages 12 li. 1s. 1od.
the summe disbursed and areare is - - 60 li. 18s. 11d.
So remeineth - - lxxvj li. xiiij s. v d.

Of which in William Staniforthes hand - 25 li. os. od. in Phillipp Gilles hand 25 li. os. od. in Adam Bates hand 5 li. os. od. in George Pearsones hand 5 li. os. od. in all 60 li os. od.

The Rest beeing 16 li. 14s. 5d. was deliuered to Robert Howsley appointed Collector for this next year.

Anno Domini 1630.

[P. 124.] The Burgery of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Roberte Howsley (Collector) there taken the xijth daie of May 1630 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the charge.			
First the said Collector is to be charged with money remeining att the last Reckoning -	76 li.	14s.	5d.
and with a whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - - -	19	2	2
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - -	12	1	10
and with money received of John Dale for interest - - - - - - - - -	6	13	4
and with money received of John Staniforth for the like - - - - - - - -	6	13	4
and from William Skargell which was deliuered him by Mr. Bright - - - - -	2	13	4
and which was giuen by the 12 capitall Burgesses and cominalty towardes building the woorkehouse - - - - - - -	12	0	0
the sum of the charge - - -	135 li.	18s.	5d.

Wherout Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt :

To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that weare present att the taking of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
for sweepeing the Lady Bridge and the pauement att the Church yates - - - -	0	4	0
To Christofer Birley for keeping open the sinke[1] att the end of the Bridge - - - -	0	1	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writing their verdict - - - - - -	0	13	6
To the 12 capitall Burgesses and cominaltie for Rent for the croft where the woorkehouse is builded - - - - - - -	0	10	0
for clensing of Barkers poole - - - -	0	3	0
for charges about necessary buisinesses concerning the Towne and the poore as appeared by particulers shewed att the takeing of this accompt - - - - - - -	0	14	7
for charges in suite against Speight and Attkinson (2 of the Tenantes) - - - - -	0	3	0

[P. 125.] 1630.—For charges layd out this last year about the building of the woorkehouse, vizt.: to—

	li.	s.	d.
the masons and wallers in parte[2] - - -	43	16	0
to Thomas Hick (the Carpenter) and to his men	12	0	0
for marking of 9 trees - - - - - -	0	4	6
for felling the said 9 trees - - - - - -	0	9	0
for breaking[3] and squaring them att 18s. the tree	8	2	0
for sawing 3c of bordes - - - - - -	1	13	0
for loading of tymber and bordes as appeareth by particulers shewed - - - - - -	7	9	6
for leading of slate - - - - - - -	2	18	9
to the slaters - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
for 58 loades of lyme - - - - - -	2	16	10
for 13 loades of sand- - - - - - -	0	10	9
for 2 Riddles and for ridling of earth and bearing of water - - - - - - - -	2	8	11
for felling of poules, Ryving lattes,[4] and makeing of fleakes and trosles[5] - - - - - -	0	11	4

[1] The *Prompt Parv.* has "synke for water receyvynge." Skeat says a sink is "a place where refuse water *sinks* away."

[2] The words "in parte" are crossed out.

[3] Cutting up. The woodwork in many old houses of the poorer kind was evidently split by the wedge.

[4] Riving laths, means splitting timber into laths. I knew an old man who helped to build Mr Wm. Shore's house at Tapton, about 1793, who described himself as "a lath river."

[5] The flakes seem to be the upright posts across which the laths were nailed. "Trostle" hardly seems to mean "trestle" in the usual sense here.

	li.	s.	d.
for 7 baskettes - - - - - - - -	0	1	2
for Ropes and trayses[1] - - - - - -	0	4	6
in drincke to the workemen and others that did any service about the woorke - - -	1	18	10
charges about the Rearing[2] - - - - -	2	15	4
for a spade - - - - - - - - -	0	1	4
for mosse - - - - - - - - -	0	4	8
for nayles - - - - - - - - -	0	15	10
for felling thornes and hedging the croft - -	0	3	10
for makeing 3 dores - - - - - - -	0	4	0
for 2 lockes and keyes - - - - - -	0	4	6
for makeing of hookes, bandes, sneckes, and staples - - - - - - - - -	0	8	0
in all - - - - - -	95 li.	2s.	7d.
for writing this accompte - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bellman - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - - -	0	2	6

The Sum disbursed - 99 li. 8s. 8d.

Arrereages to bee respited.

Arrereages. Widow Robertes 14s. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Firth 14s. Jo: Hartley 1 li. 3s. Thomas Richardson 10s. Jo: Swinden 7s. Arthur Stevin 1 li. 10s. 8d. [P. 126.] 1630. Arrereages. Widow Milnes 3s. 8d. Richard Hancock 1s. William Rogeres 1 li. 10s. George Jackson 1 li. 16s. Lawrence Attkinson 1 li. Thomas Speight 1 li. 1s.

the Sum of tharrereages - -	10 li.	11s.	1d.
the Sum disbursed and areare is - -	109	19	9
So Remeineth - - - - - - - -	25 li.	18s.	8d.
Of which in William Staniforthes hand . -	15 li.	os.	od.
in Phillipp Gilles hand - - - - - -	10	0	0
in all -	25	0	0

The Rest beeing 18s. 8d. was deliuered to Christopher Capper appointed Collector for this next year.

Memorandum—that the interest due from William Staniforth and Phillipp Gill is behind for this last year.

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[1] See note 1 p. 126 below.

[2] The money was spent in giving a feast to the workmen employed, and such feasts appear to have been formerly known as "scot ales." In Dickenson's account of the building of his house in Sheffield, in 1575, is the following entry: "Item for meat and drinck that daye that the house was reared, xlvj s. viij d."—MS. in the possession of Mr. S. O. Addy. When the timber work, which extended from the ground to the ridge-tree, was set up, the house was said to be "reared," and the ale or the feast was given or made on the completion of the rearing.

ANNO DOMINI 1631.

[P. 127.] The Burgerie of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Christofer Capper (Collector) there taken the xxvijth of May 1631 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.

	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining att the last Reckoning -	25	18	8
and with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - - -	19	2	2
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - -	10	11	1
and with money receiued of John Staniforth for interest - - - - - - - -	6	13	4
The Sum of the Charge - -	62 li.	5 s.	3 d.

Wherout Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:

To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that weare present att the takeing of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
for sweepeing the Lady bridge and the pavement att the Church yates - - - -	0	6	0
To Christofer Birley for keeping open the sinke att the end of the Bridge - - - -	0	1	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writing their verdict - - - - - - -	0	13	6
To the 12 capitall Burgesses and Cominaltie for the Rent for the workehouse croft - -	0	10	0
for mending the pavement of the bridge - -	0	0	3
for charges about necessary buisinesse concerning the Towne and the poore as appeared by particulers shewed - - - - - -	1	2	2
for charges layd out this year about the workhouse:			
To the Masons and wallers - - - -	23	19	4
for Carpenters worke - - - - - -	1	5	6
for sawing bordes and plankes - - -	0	19	6
for leading stone, timber. and sand - - -	5	19	8
for 7 loades of slate, leading and slating - -	2	8	2
for lyme - - - - - - - - - -	1	6	4
for nayles - - - - - - - -	0	16	11
for mosse - - - - - - - -	0	2	8
for treses[1] - - - - - - - -	0	2	3
for iron worke - - - - - - - -	0	10	10

[1] Helliwell gives *tresse*, a clasp. See, however, "trayses," p. 125 above, where the meaning is cords or chains by which wagons were drawn.

	li.	s.	d.
for 1c. of iron - - - - - - - -	0	19	4
for - - - - - - - -	0	13	0
for 2 baskettes, a Riddle, and certen coles- -	0	0	11
for ditching the croft - - - - - -	0	2	2
for making the lease of the woorkhouse - -	0	10	0
for meat and drinck at seuerall times - -	1	5	7
to William Hilton for his direction about setting on foote the woorke - - - - - -	0	4	0
in all - - - - - -	41	6	2
[P. 128.] 1631.—For writing this Accompt -	0	2	6
To the Bellman - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - - -	0	2	6

The Sum disbursed - 45 li. 16s. 1d.

Arrereages to bee respited.

Arrereages.—Widow Robertes 16s. Widow Hodgson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Lockwood 5s. Widow Firthe 14s. Jo: Hartley 1 li. 3s. Thomas Richardson 5s. Jo: Swindon 9s. Arthur Stevin 1 li. 14s. 8d. Widow Stevin 1s. 8d. Widow Milnes 3s. 8d. Jo: Phillipott 2s. Richard Hancock 1s. Lawrence Rogeres 2 li. George Jackson 2 li. 4s. Lawrence Attkinson 1 li. 5s. George Shemeld 10s. Thomas Speight 1 li. 1s.

the sum of tharrereages - - 12 li. 18s. 3d.
the Sum disbursed and areare is - - - 58 li. 14s. 4d.
So Remeineth - - - - - - - 3 li. 10s. 11d.
which was deliuered (together with 8d. more which was receiued of William Walton) to Edward Wood appointed Collector for this next year.

Memorandum—that Mathew Cooke and Grace Pogmore are this next year to pay for their houses 11s. a piece which increaseth the Rent. 8s. 8d.

Anno Domini 1632.

[P. 129.] The Burgery of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Edward Wood (Collector) there taken the 19th of May 1632 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining att the last Reckoninge -	3	11	7
and with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - - -	20	3	0
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - -	12	18	3

	li.	s.	d.
and with money receiued of John Staniforth for interest - - - - - - - -	6	13	4
and with money received from Francis More for the money in his handes - - - -	3	6	8
and with money left by the ould Countesse of Shrewsbury att her death[1] - - - -	10	0	0
and with money receiued from the Constables which they had gathered of the sessment made towardes the apparelling of 20ty poore children for the woorke house - - -	19	11	6
the Sum of the Charge - -	76	4	4

Wherout Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:

To Stone (the waite) for his coate - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that weare present att the takeing of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
for sweepeing the Bridge and the pauement att the church yates[2] - - - - - - -	0	5	0
To Christofer Birley for keepeing open the sincke att the end of the Bridge - - -	0	1	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writing their verdict - - - - - - - -	0	13	6
for makeing the Butt in the whicker - -	0	6	0
for charges layd out about reparacion of the Bridge as appeareth by particulers shewed att the takeing of this accompt - - -	0	12	6ob
for dressing[3] of Barkers poole, and a lock for it	0	5	10
To Mr Toller and George More towardes the charge of their journey to London[4] - -	1	4	7
To George More for his charges in going to London - - - - - - - -	3	18	6
To Mr Mosley in part towardes his charges to London - - - - - - - -	2	0	0
	10	16	11
[P. 130.] 1632. for other necessary charges about the Townes buisinesse as appeareth by particulers shewed - - - - - -	1	9	3
for a yeares Rent for the woorkhouse - -	0	10	0

[1] Mary, Countess of Shrewsbury, widow of Earl Gilbert and daughter of Elizabeth, Countess of Shrewsbury, buried 14th April, 1632.

[2] 1s. more is interlined but is not cast in the total. The payment for this work in 1633 is entered as 6s.

[3] Setting in order, trimming.

[4] Thos. Toller, Vicar of Sheffield, Feb., 1598, to Aug. 20th, 1635.

	li.	s.	d.
for charges layd out this year about the woorke-house:			
for 200 of iron - - - - - - - -	1	12	0
for making of Casementes, Bandes,[1] hookes, windowe barres, and other iron woorke -	1	3	5
for dry bordes, sawing of Bordes and other Carpenters woorke - - - - - -	5	4	8
for paving stones and the leading of them, for lyme, sand, beame filling,[2] casting of earth and other such woorke - - - - - -	4	4	7
to James Bright for leading of stone - -	3	6	8
to Richard Shemeld for lattes, nayles and lead -	2	19	6
for 79 yardes of blewish cloth for thapparelling of 20ty poore children putt into the woorke-house - - - - - - - - -	8	18	5
for 5 yardes and a quarter of white Cotton -	0	3	6
for makeing 20ty cotes - - - - - -	1	1	0
for 98 yardes of harden cloth[3] - - - - -	3	13	10
for makeing the same into 40 smockes for the said children - - - - - - -	0	6	8
for a cowe giuen to the master of the children -	3	12	4
for 4 nattes[4] for their beddes - - . -	0	1	2
Nicholas Parkin on first of May last for his monethes paie before hand of the 10 li. hee is to have with the children - - - - -	0	16	8
for 65 foote of glasse and 3 casements of glasse -	1	9	6
For the charges and which was given to John Pendleton, who came to have beene a Master att the woorkhouse - - - - - -	0	7	6
To Whittaker and Hilton for the like - -	0	2	6
which was paid to the old Collector for the poore - - - - - - - - - -	0	13	4
For wine and sugar sent to the Earle of Newcastle[5] - - - - - - - - - -	0	17	0
So layd out this year about the workhouse -	41 li.	4	3
for writing the accompt - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bellman - - - - - - -	0	2	0
the Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
The Sum disbursed - - -	53 li.	17s.	6d.

[1] Hinges, or long strips of iron extending across the surface of a door by which it is hung on the crooks.—See *New Eng. Dict.*

[2] Apparently filling in the interstices of the timber framework with lath and plaster, stone, or whatever material was used.

[3] Coarse flax cloth, "holland," as we say now.

[4] Low Lat. *natta*, a mat.

[5] William Cavendish created Earl of Newcastle 7th March, 1628; General of the Royal armies north of the Trent in the Civil War.

[P 131.] 1632. Arrereages to bee respited.

Widow Robertes 18s. Widow Hodgson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Lockwood 9s. Widow Firthe 14s. Jo. Hartley 1 li. 3s. William Bennett 5s. Jo. Swinden 11s. Arthur Stevin 1 li. 18s. 8d. Robert Hall and Widow Belfeld 1s. 8d. Widow Milnes 3s. 8d. Jo: Marr 1s. Lawrence Rodgeres 2 li. George Jackson 2 li. 4s. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 5s. George Shemold 10s. Thomas Speight 1 li. 1s.

The sum of tharrereages - -	13	8	3
The Sum disbursed and areare is - - -	67	5	9
So Remeineth - - - - - - - -	8 li.	18s.	7d.

which was deliuered to William Creswick appointed Collector for this next year; out of which Haywardes wife had 12d. paid more by the said Edward Wood.

So Remeineth only - - - - - - -	8	17	7

There is yett unpaid in of the Assessement for the woorke-house, 15s., viz., 5s. of William Pearsones head,[1] 5s. of Jo: Crookes, and 5s. of Godfrey Harwoods head,[1] which last 5s. was allowed to Godfrey Harwood by consent for his paines in gathering the same.

Anno Domini 1633.

[P. 132.] The Burgerie of Sheffeld—The Accompt of William Creswicke (Collector) there taken the Eight daie of May 1633 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining att the last Reckoning -	8	17	7
and with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - - -	20	1	0
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - -	13	8	3
and with money received of William Pearson and John Crooke for their assessment left behind the last year - - - - - -	0	10	0
and with money received of John Dale for parte of the interest for the money remeining in his handes - - - - - - - - -	2	3	5
and with money received of Christofer Capper for interest - - - - - - - -	3	6	8
the Sum of the Charge - -	48	6	11

[1] Account or person. The Lat. *caput* had sometimes the sense of "person."

inde Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:	li.	s.	d.
To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that weare present att the takeing of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
for sweepeing the Bridge and the pavement att the Church yates - - - - - - -	0	6	0
To Christofer Birley for keepeing open the sinke att the end of the Bridge - - -	0	1	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writing their verdict - - - - - - - -	0	13	6
To Richard Clayton for wood and Rayling at the Little bridge - - - - - - -	0	4	0
for mending the Butt in the whicker- - -	0	1	0
for casting gravell to the Bridge foote - -	0	0	4
[1] Allowed to Widow Fletcher [2] (which was paid by) her (the last year for) Rent - - -	0	6	8
for a yeares Rent for the woorkehouse - -	0	10	0
for charges layd out this year about the woorkehouse:			
To Nicholas Parkin for 11 monethes paie of the x li. hee was to have with the children - -	9	3	4
for Tenn Bunch of lattes - - - - - -	0	11	6
for a Cowe for the master of the children - -	3	11	0
To Thomas Firth for walling the gardeine -	0	1	11
for 3 strawe mattes for Beddes - - - - -	0	1	0
To one who came from Chappell[3] to have taught children to knitt - - - - -	0	3	4
So layd out this year about the woorkehouse -	13 li.	12s.	1d.
[P. 133.] To Christofer Capper, George Lee, and Robert Howsley, which was borrowed of them the last year - - - - - -	1	10	0
To Mr Mosley for the rest of his charges to London	6	2	5
Which was lost in light gould and farthings -	0	3	4
which was given to Bland - . - - -	0	1	0
for other necessary charges about the Townes buisinesse as appeared by particulers shewed	3	5	0
Which was allowed to Edward Creswick towardes his charges in suite against Newsomes daughters - - - - - - -	0	16	8
For writing this accompt - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bellman - - - - - - -	0	2	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
The Sum disbursed - - -	29 li.	10s.	1d.

[1] Written over "Repaid" crossed out.

[2] The words in brackets are crossed out.

[3] Chapel-en-le-Frith.

Arrereages to bee Respited.

Arrereages.—Widow Robertes 18s. Widow Hodgson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Lockwood 12s. Widow Firthe 17s. 3d. Jo: Hartley 1 li. 3s. Jo: Swinden 11s. Arthur Stevin 2 li. 2s. 8d. Robert Hall and Widow Belfeld 1s. 8d. Thomas Wigfall 3s. 8d. Lawrence Rogeres 2 li. George Jackson 2 li. 4s. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 5s. Thomas Speight 1 li. 4s.. Richard Oxpring 6s. 8d.

the Sum of tharrereages - -	13 li. 12s. 2d.
the Sum disbursed and areare is - - -	43 li. 2s. 3d.
So Remeineth - - - -	5 li. 4s. 8d.

which was deliuered to William Skargell, appointed Collector for this next year.

Anno Domini 1634.

[P. 134.] The Burgerie of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of William Skargell (Collector) there taken the 24th daie of May 1634 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining att the last Reckoning -	5	4	8
and with money received from John Dale for the latter end of the interest for the money remeining in his handes and due at Midsomer last - - - - - - - -	1	15	4
and with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - - -	20	1	0
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoninge - - - - - -	13	12	2
and with money received of Christofer Capper for interest - - - - - - - -	6	13	4
the Summe of the Charge - -	47	6	5
inde Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:			
To Stone (the waite) for his Cote - - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that weare present att the takeing of the last accompt - - - -	0	10	0
for sweepeing the Bridge and the pauement att the Church yates - - - - - - -	0	6	0
To Christofer Birley for keepeing open the sinke att the end of the Bridge - - -	0	1	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest, and writing and deliuering in their verdict - - -	0	13	6
for Rent for the woorkehouse croft - - -	0	10	0
for Repairing the Butt in the whecker - -	0	1	8

	li.	s.	d.
for a certificat to the Earle of Newcastle about the Beggars peticion - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bedle for his paines - - - - -	0	1	0
for charges layd out this year about the Bridge.			
for 3 horse loades of lyme- - - - - -	0	3	0
for sifting and couching[1] the same - - - -	0	0	6
for liquor for the same - - - - - -	0	1	2
for 9 daies pointing att the Bridge - - - -	0	6	6
for gathering of Boulders - - - - - -	0	1	2
for leading of Boulders and sand - - - -	0	11	2
to Attkinson for paveing - - - - - -	1	1	3
for drincke to the woorkmen - - - - -	0	0	9
for a piece of wood and laying of it - - - -	0	1	3
So laid out this year about the Bridge - - - - - 2 li. 6s. 9d.			
for pointing and collering[2] the chimneyes of the woorkehouse - - - - - - - - -	0	6	1
[P. 135.] 1634.—To William Pearson and Richard Base (the last yeares Ouerseers of the poore) for the poore - - - - -	6	13	4
To Thomas Skargell for stones for the woorkehouse - - - - - - - - - - -	6	13	4
To Nicholas Parkin for the ioyst[3] [agist] of a cowe - - - - - - - - - - -	1	0	0
which was allowed to Edward Creswick towardes his charges in suite against Newsam's daughter - - - - - - - -	0	16	8
Allowed to Widow Fletcher her Rent - -	0	6	8
for writinge this Accompt- - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bellman - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
The Sum disbursed - 21 li. 14s. od.			

Arrereages to be respited.

Arrereages.—Thomas Robertes 18s. Widow Hodgson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Lockwood 14s. 6d. Michaell Firth 17s. 3d. Widow Hartley 1 li. 3s. Jo: Swinden 13s. Arthur Stevin 2 li. 2s. 8d. Roberte Hall 10d. Widow Belfeld 10d. Thomas Wigfall 3s. 8d. Jo: Phillipott 1s. 6d. Richard Oxpring 6s. 8d. Lawrence Rogeres 2 li. George Jackson 2 li. 4s. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 5s. Thomas Speight 1 li. 4s.

the Sum of tharrereages - -	13	18	2

[1] Laying, bedding.

[2] The collering or collaring of a chimney is the laying on of a band of mortar round the chimney at the point where it rises above the slates.

[3] Old French *giste*, lodging; hence keeping, feeding.

	li.	s.	d.
the sum disbursed and areare - - -	35	12	2
Sic Restat - - - - - - -	11	14	3
which together with 12d. received of Jo: Marr for the last yeares Rent of his house newe builded and with 12s. receiued of Thomas Skargell for 6 sessmentes, maketh- - -	12	7	3

which was deliuered to Robert Stacy appointed Collector for this next year.

Memorandum. the Rent is nowe - - - 20 li. 2s. od.

Anno Domini 1635.

[P. 136.] The Burgerie of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Robert Stacie (Collector) there taken the 28th daie of May 1635 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to be charged with money remeining att the last Reckoning -	12	7	3
and with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - -	20	2	0
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - -	13	18	2
and with money received from John Dale for interest for the money in his handes - -	5	6	8
and with money received from Christofer Capper for the 100 li. which was in his hands	6	13	4
the Summe of the Charge - -	58	7	5

inde Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:

To Stone (the waite) for his Cote - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that weare present att the takeing of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
for sweepeing the Bridge and the pavement att the Church yates - - - - - - -	0	6	0
To Christofer Birley for keepeing open the sincke at the end of the Bridge - - -	0	1	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writing and deliuering in their verdict - - -	0	13	6
for Rent for the woorkehouse croft - - -	0	10	0
for Repairing the Butt in the whicker - -	0	1	6
To the Bedle for his paines - - -	0	1	0
for mossing the woorkehouse - - - -	0	11	10
for charges about Barkers poule - - -	0	3	9
For hireing a horse to London about the townes business - - - - - - - -	0	6	8

	li.	s.	d.
To Thomas Skargell the younger and William Hinchliffe (the last yeares overseers of the poore) for the poore - - - - - -	10	6	8
Allowed to Widow Fletcher her Rent - -	0	6	8
for writing this accompt - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bellman - - - - - - -	0	2	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
for feying the Barkers poule - - - - -	0	1	6

The Summe disbursed- 15 li. 7s. 1d.

[P. 137.] 1635.—Arrereages to be respited

Thomas Robertes 16s. Widow Hobson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Lockwood 14s 6d. Michaell Firth 17s. 3d. Widow Hartley 1 li. 3s. Jo. Swindon 15s. Arthur Stevin 2 li. 2s. 8d. Robert Hall 10d. Widow Belfeld 10d. Thomas Wigfall 3s. 8d. Jo. Phillipott 1s. 6d. Richard Oxpring 6s. 8d. Lawrence Rogeres 2 li. George Jackson 2 li. 4s. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 5s. Thomas Speight 1 li. 4s. Richard Allen 6d. Godfray Stevin 2s. 6d.

	li.	s.	d.
the Sum - - - - -	14	3	2
the Sum disbursed and areare - - -	29	10	3

Sic rest, £28. 17s. 2d., which was delivered to Castle Shemeld, appointed collector for this next year.

Memorandum that the house whereunto William Bennett was tenant is improved from 2s. 6d. to 4s. So is the rent nowe £20. 3s. 6d.

Anno Domini 1636.

[P. 138.] The Burgerie of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Castle Shemeld (Collector) there taken the 8th daie of May 1636 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare ended at Martinmas last.

the Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining the last Reckoning - -	28	17	2
and with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - -	20	2	0
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - -	14	3	2
and with interest money received from John Dale - - - - - - - - - -	4	0	0
and with money received from George Lee and Roberte Stacie for the 100 li. in their handes - - - - - - - - - -	6	13	4
the Summe of the Charge- -	73	15	8

	li.	s.	d.
inde Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, viz.:			
To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that weare present att the taking of the last accompt - -	0	10	0
for sweeping the Bridge and the pauement att the Church yates - - - - - . -	0	7	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writing and delivering in their verdict - - -	0	13	6
Repairing the Butt in the whicker - - -	0	3	11
For tymber and boardes for the pillorie 12s. 6d.; for carriage of tymber, 2s. 8d.; for making it, 25s.; for carriage of it from the Castle foulds, 6d.; for stones, and lyme, and haire, 7s. 7d.; and for walling and pointing, 6d.; in all -	2	14	3
For a cuck stoole, and 2 cheynes, and two locks - - - - - - - - -	0	13	0
Charges about the little bridge att the foote of the Castle greene - - - - - -	2	13	0
For paving under the great Bridge - - -	0	5	4
For sawing of Boardes and tymber att the woorkehouse croft - - - - - -	2	18	1
To James Hodgson for feying and keeping of Barkers poole - - - - - - -	0	1	6
For mending the Church wall and making the Church yeard yates - - - - - -	0	9	6
To the Bedle - . - - - - - -	0	1	0
for writing this Accompt - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bellman - - - - - - -	0	2	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6

The Sum disbursed - - 12 li. 17s. 1d.

[P. 139.] 1636.—Arrereages to bee respited

Arrereages.—Thomas Robertes 18s. Widow Hodgson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Lockwood 19s. 6d. Michael Firth 17s. 3d. Widow Hartley 3s. Jo: Swinden 16s. Arthur Stevin 2li. 2s. 8d. Robert Hall 10d. Widow Belfeld 10d. Thomas Wigfall 5s. 8d. Jo. Phillipott 3s. Richard Oxpring 6s. 8d. Lawrence Rogeres 2 li. George Jackson 2 li. 12s. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 5s. Thomas Speight 1 li. 4s. Richard Allen 6d. Godfrey Stevin 5s. the house where Wilson dwels 1s. 3d.

	li.	s.	d.
the Summe arrereages - - -	15	4	5
and widow Fletchers Rent given - - -	0	6	8
the Sum disbursed and areare 28 li. 8s. 2d.; and delivered to the Overseers of the poore, 10 li. 13s. 4d. - - - - - - -	39	10	6

	li.	s.	d.
Sic Restat - - - - - - - - -	34	14	2

which was delivered to William Birley appointed Collector for this next year.

Note that Nicholas Parkin paid him 10s. for the woorkehouse croft, which hee paid for Rent to the Burgesses.

ANNO DOMINI 1637.

[P. 140.] The Burgerie of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of William Birley (Collector) there taken the 26th daie of May 1637 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining the last Reckoning - -	34	14	2
and with a whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - - - -	20	12	0
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - -	15	4	5
and with interest money received from Thomas Elliott for 10 li. in his handes - - -	0	13	4
the Sum of the Charge - -	71	3	11
inde Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, viz.:			
To Stone (the waite) for his Cote - - -	1	0	0
for making his Badge newe[1] - - - - -	0	1	4
for the dinners of those that weare present att the takeing of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
for sweeping the Bridge and the pauement att the Church yates - - - - - - -	0	7	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest, and writing and delivering in their verdict- - -	0	13	6
for Repairing the Butt in the whicker - -	0	1	6
for charges about the Lady Bridge as appeared by particulers shewed att the takeing of this accompt - - - - - - - - -	1	4	7
for charges about the Townehead well - -	0	5	5
for Repairing of Barkers poole - - - - -	0	4	10
For charges about the woorekhouse in laying the long chamber flore and paving parte of the Nether flore, and for laths, nailes, lyme,			

[1] This seems to show that the wait or piper was an official of the Burgery. For such officials of old municipal corporations, see Rowbotham's *Troubadours*, &c., pp. 190, 191. The badge had been used before 1637.

	li.	s.	d.
and other thinges, as appeared by particulers showed - - - - - - - - -	4	14	4
[1]for charges bestowed about the Townehead well - - - - - - - - - -			
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
for writing this Accompt - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bellman - - - - - - -	0	2	0
The Collectors fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
the Sum disbursed - -	9	10	6

[P. 141.] 1637.—Arrereages to bee respited.

Thomas Robertes 1 li. 6s. Widow Hodgson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Lockwood 1 li. 4s. 6d. Michaell Firth 17s. 3d. Widow Hartley 1 li. 3s. Jo. Swinden 16s. Arthur Stevin 2 li. 2s. 8d. Robert Hall 10d. Widow Belfeld 10d. Thomas Wigfall 7s. 8d. Richard Oxpring 13s. 4d. Lawrence Rogeres 2 li. George Jackson 3 li. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 5s. Thomas Speight 1 li. 4s. Richard Allen 6d. Godfrey Stevin 5s. the house where Wilson dwells 1s. 3d. Kellam Fletcher 6s. 8d.

	li.	s.	d.
the Sum areare - - - - - -	16	17	9
the Sum disbursed and areare - - - - -	26	8	3
Sic Restat - - - - - - - -	44	15	8

which was delivered to John Crooke appointed Collector for this next year.

Note that 10 li. of the 44 li. 15s. 8d. remeining is the money which Robert Rollinson gave and is to bee delivered out to the Overseers of the poor.

So the Collector is only to bee charged with 34 li. 15s. 8d. (besides that 10 li.).

Anno Domini 1638.

[P. 142.] The Burgerie of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of John Crooke (Collector) there taken the 9th daie of May 1638 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining the last Reckoning - -	44	15	8
and with a whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - - - -	20	12	0
and with Rent received of Robert Fisher for parte of the woorkehouse - - - - -	2	0	0

[1] This line is crossed out.

	li.	s.	d.
and with arrereages as appeareth at the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - -	16	17	9
and with interest money received from Thomas Elliott for the x li. in his handes - - -	0	13	4
The Sum of the Charge -	84	18	9

inde Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, vizt.:

To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that weare present att the takeing of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
for sweepeing the Bridge and the pauement att the Church yates - - - - - - -	0	7	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writeing and deliuering in their verdict - -	0	13	6
for Repairing the Butt in the whicker - -	0	1	6
for charges about the Ladie Bridge as appeared by particulers shewed att the takeing of this accompte - - - - - - - - -	2	6	3
To James Hodgson for feying and keepeing of Barkers poole - - - - - - - -	0	1	6
for charges about the woorkehouse in plastering, paveing, laying one of the flores, and for lattes, railes and lyme and other thinges as appeared by particulars shewed - - -	12	17	8
for Rent for the woorkehouse and croft - -	0	10	0
for charges of the 2 men that cam from Wakefeld to have sett children on woorke - -	0	2	7
To the Bedle - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bellman - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
for writeing this accompt- - - - - -	0	2	6
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
The Sum disbursed - -	18	18	0

1638.—Arrereages to bee respited.

[P. 143.] Thomas Robertes 18s. Widow Hodgson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Lockwood 1 li. 9s. 6d. Michaell Firth 17s. 3d. Thomas Wilson 3s. 9d. Jo: Swindon 18s. Arthur Stevin 2 li. 2s. 8d. Robert Hall 2s. 6d. Widow Belfeld 10d. Thomas Wigfall 7s. 8d. Jo: Hanbie 13s. 4d. Lawrence Rogeres 2 li. 5s. George Jackson 3 li. 8s. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 5s. Thomas Speight 1 li. 7s. Richard Allen 1s. Godfrey Stevin 7s. 6d. [1] Thomas Wilson 3s. 9d. Kellam Fletcher 13s. 4d. Lawrence Bullas 1s. Widow Frenche 2s. 4d.

the Sum areare - - -	17	6	11

[1] This entry is crossed out.

the Sum disbursed and areare is - - 36 li. 4s. 11d.
Sic Restat - - - 48 li. 13s. 10d.

	li.	s.	d.
Out of which deliuered to the Ouerseers of the poore the 10 li. left by Robert Rollinson[1] and 30 li. more in all - - - - - - - - (to sett the poore on woorke with)	40	0	0

So Restat - - - - 8 li. 13s. 10d.

which was delivered to William Riche appointed Collector for the next year.

Anno Domini 1639.

[P. 144.] The Burgerie of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of William Riche (Collector) there taken the 29th daie of May 1639 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended at Martinmas last.

the Charge	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining the last Reckoning - -	8	13	10
and with a whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - - - -	20	2	0
and with Rent made of the woorkehouse croft -	1	5	0
and with interest money received for 200 li. -	13	6	8
and with moneyes received of Thomas Elliott -	10	13	4
and with arrereages as appeares att the foote of the last reckoning - - - - - -	17	6	11
the Sum of the Charge - -	71	7	9

inde Disbursed by the said Collector as foloweth, viz.:

To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	1	0	0
For the dinners of those that weare present att the takeing of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
for sweepeing the Bridge and the pauement att the Church yates - - - - - - -	0	7	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writeing and delivering in their verdict - -	0	13	6
for Repairing the Butt in the Whicker - -	0	1	2
for woorke about the Ladies bridge - - -	0	1	10
to William Chapman for laying a wood pipe att the spring att the water lane end - -	0	0	6

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[1] Robert Rollinson, of Sheffield, mercer, who d. 8 Nov., 1631, aged 91, left 20/- per annum to the Church, 40/- to the Cutlers' Co., £10 to the Workhouse, and £10 to the Free School. He also left two houses in Figtree lane for the use of the Assistant Ministers, and thirty buckets and hooks to hang them on in the Parish Church, and enlarged and improved Barker's pool.—See Hunter's *Hallamshire* (Gatty's edition), pp. 244, 255, 321. See ante p. 138.

	li.	s.	d.
to James Hodgson for feying and keepeing of Barkers poole 1s. 6d. and for mending the Bridge there and nayles to it, 8d. in all - -	0	2	2
for charges about the woorkehouse in glassing, makeing of casementes, lyme, liquour and pointing as appeared by particulers shewed -	2	13	0
for Rent for the woorkehouse croft - - -	0	10	0
To Samuel Holyoake for mending of 19 Buckettes - - - - - - - -	0	14	0
To William Skargell for a paire of ballance for the woorkehouse, 7s. for a table for the worke-house, 6s. 8d., and for dressing 2 poules there 2d., in all - - - - - - - -	0	13	10
for hedging the woorkehouse croft, mending the yate, makeing a lock to the same, and other charges about the same- - - - -	0	5	10
Delivered to the Overseers of the poore - -	33	6	8
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bellman - - - - - - -	0	2	0
for writing this accompt - - - - - -	0	2	6
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
the Sum disbursed - -	41	7	6

1639.—Arrereages to bee respited.

[P. 145.] Thomas Robertes 1 li. 6s. Widow Hodgson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Lockwood 1 li. 12s. Michaell Firth 17s. 3d. Thomas Wilson 3s. 9d. Jo. Swinden 18s. Arthur Stevin 2 li. 6s. 8d. Robert Hall 4s. 2d. Widow Belfeld 10d. Thomas Wigfall 7s. 8d. Jo. Hanbie 1 li. Lawrence Rogeres 2 li. 5s. George Jackson 3 li. 16s. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 5s. Thomas Speight 1 li. 4s. Richard Allen 1s. Godfrey Stevin 5s. Kellam Fletcher 1 li.

	li.	s.	d.
the Sum areare - - -	18	15	7
the sum disbursed and areare is - - -	60	3	1
So Resteth - - - -	11	4	8

which was delivered to Thomas Skargell thelder appointed Collector for this next year.

Note that the 40 li. mentioned att the foote of the last accompt and 20 li. of the 33 . 6 . 8 before mencioned in this last accompt beeing in all 60 li. was delivered in stock to the woorkehouse, the other 20 markes is in the handes of the Overseers of the poore.

Anno Domini 1640

[P. 146.] The Burgerie of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Thomas Skargell (Collector) there taken the 21st daie of May 1640 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining the last Reckoning - -	11	4	8
and with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - -	20	3	0
and with Rent made of the woorkehouse croft -	1	4	0
And with interest money received for 200 li. -	13	6	8
And with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - -	18	15	7
the Sum of the Charge - -	64	13	11

inde Disbursed by the said Collector :

To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that weare present att that takeing of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
for sweepeing the Bridge and the pauement at the church yates - - - - - - -	0	7	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writing and deliuering in their verdict - - -	0	13	6
for Repairing the Butt in the whicker - -	0	2	0
for woorke about the Ladies bridge - - -	0	8	6
To James Hodgson for keepeing of Barkers poole - - - - - - - - - - -	0	1	6
for Rent for the woorkehouse croft - - -	0	10	0
delivered further in stock to the woorkehouse -	10	0	0
delivered to the Ouerseers of the poore - -	13	6	8
To the Bedle - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bellman - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
for writeing this Accompt - - - - -	0	2	6
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
The Sum disbursed - -	27	7	2

Arrereages to bee respited.

[P. 147.] Thomas Robertes 1 li. 6s. Widow Hodgson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 9d. 1640.—Widow Lockwood 1 li. 12s. William Wigfall 17s. 3d. Thomas Wilson 3s. 9d. John Swindon 18s. Arthur Stevin 2 li. 6s. 8d. Robert Hall 4s. 2d. Widow Belfeld 10d. Thomas Wigfall 7s. 8d. Richard Allen 1s. Godfrey Stevin 5s. Kellam Fletcher 1 li. 6s. 8d. George Jackson 4 li. 4s. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 5s. Thomas Speight 1 li. 4s. Jo. Hanbie 1 li. 6s. 8d.

the Summa - - - - -	17	11	11

the sum disbursed and areare is 44 li. 19s. 1d.

So Resteth which was delivered to Thomas Skargell the younger appointed Collector for the next year - - - - - - - -	19	14	10

ANNO DOMINI 1641.

The Burgerie of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Thomas Skargell the younger (Collector) there taken the x th daie of June 1641 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money remeining the last Reckoning - -	19	14	10
and with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - - -	20	3	0
and with Rent made of the woorkhouse croft -	1	4	0
and with interest money received for 200 li. -	13	6	8
and with arrereages as appeared att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - -	17	11	11
the Sum of the Charge - -	72	0	5

inde Disbursed by the said Collector.

To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	1	0	0
For the dinners of those that weare present att the takeing of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
[P. 148.] 1641. for sweepeing the Bridge and the pauement att the Church yates -	0	7	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writeing and deliuering in their verdict - -	0	13	6
for Repairing the Butt in the whicker - -	0	2	4
for woorke about the Ladies bridge - - -	0	18	4
To James Hodgson for keepeing of Barkers poole - - - - - - - - -	0	1	6
for Repairing the Towne head well - - -	0	9	0
for rent for the woorkehouse croft - - -	0	10	0
delivered to the Overseers of the poore - -	13	6	8
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bellman - - - - - - -	0	2	0
for writeing this Accompt - - - - -	0	2	6
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
the Sum disbursed - -	18	6	4

Arrereages to be respited.

Thomas Robertes 1 li. 6s. Widow Hodgson 5s. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Lockwood 1 li. 14s. 6d. William Wigfall 17s. 3d. Thomas Wilson 3s. 9d. John Swindon 18s. Arthur Stevin 2 li. 6s. 8d. Robert Hall 4s. 2d. Widow Bellfeld 10d. Thomas Wigfall 9s. 8d. Richard Allen 1s. Godfrey Stevin 5s. Kellam Fletcher 1 li. 13s. 4d. George Jackson 4 li. 12s. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 5s. Thomas Speight 1li. 4s. Jo: Hanbie 1 li. 6s. 8d.

	li.	s.	d.
the sum areare - - -	18	13	7

	li.	s.	d.
the sum disbursed and areare is - - -	36	19	11
So Resteth which was delivered to Edward Wood appointed Collector for the next year.	35	0	6

ANNO DOMINI 1642.

[P. 149.] The Burgerie of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Edward Wood (Collector) there taken the xvj th daie of June 1642 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

The Charge.

	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to be charged with money remeining the Last Reckoning - -	35	0	6
and with a whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - - - -	20	3	0
and with Rent made of the woorkhouse croft -	1	4	0
and with interest money receiued for 200 li. -	13	6	8
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last reckoning - - - - - -	18	13	7
and with parte of Thomas Robertes arrereages	0	6	0
the Summe of the Charge -	88	13	9

inde Disbursed by the said Collector

	li.	s.	d.
To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that were present att the takeing of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
for sweepeing the Bridge and the pauement att the Church yates - - . - - -	0	7	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writing and deliuering in their verdict - - -	0	13	6
for Repairing the Buttes in the wicker - -	0	3	0
for Repairing the Ladies Bridge - - -	4	17	0
for Repairing Barkers poole - - - -	1	6	8
for Rent for the woorkhouse croft - - -	0	10	0
Delivered to the Overseers of the poore - -	13	6	8
for Repairing the woorkhouse - - - -	5	9	6
for 22 Muskettes and charges of the cariage of them[1] - - - - - - - - -	21	15	7
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bellman - - - - - - -	0	2	0
for writing this accompt - - - - - -	0	2	6
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
the Summe disbursed - -	50	6	11

[1] The purchase of muskets marks the preparation for civil war. Charles I. set up his standard at Nottingham, 22 Aug., 1642.

Arrereages to be Respited

Recd. 6s.—Thomas Robertes 1 li. 6s. Widow Hodgson 7s. 6d. James Hodshon 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 9d. Widow Lockwood 1 li. 19s. 6d. William Wigfall 1 li. 3s. 9d. Thomas Wilson 3s. 9d. John Swinden 1 li. Arthur Steven 2 li. 6s. 8d. Robert Hall 5s. 10d. Widow Belfeld 2s. 6d. Thomas Wigfall 11s. 8d. Richard Allen 1s. Godfrey Steven 5s. Kellam Fletcher 2 li. George Jackson 5 li. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 5s. Thomas Speight 1 li. 4s. John Hanbie 1 li. 6s. 8d.

	li.	s.	d.
the Summe arreare - -	20	12	1
[P. 150.] 1642.—The summe disbursed and arreare is - - - - - - - -	70	19	0
So Resteth which was delivered to Robert Howsley the younger appointed Collector for the next year.	17	16	3

Anno Domini 1643.

The Burgery of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Robert Howsley the younger (Collector) there taken the Sixt daie of June 1643 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

The Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money Remaining the Last Reckoning -	17	16	3
and with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martimas last - - - - - - -	27	13	0
and with interest money received for 200 li. -	13	6	8
and with moneyes received of Roberte Stacie and John Hall - - - - - - -	20	0	0
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning- - - - - - -	20	6	1
saving Six shillinges which was paid before by Thomas Robertes for parte of his arrereages			
The Summe of the Charge -	99	2	0
Inde disbursed by the said Collector			
To Stone (the wait) for his cote - - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that weare present att the taking of the last accompt - - -	0	10	0
for sweeping the Bridge and the pauement att the Church yates - - - - - - -	0	7	0
for the dinners of thassembly quest and writing and delivering in their verdict - -	0	13	6
for Rent for the woorkhouse croft - - -	0	10	0

	li.	s.	d.
delivered to the Overseers for the poore - -	13	6	8
for woorke done about the Towne - - -	12	11	8
for stocking of 3 muskettes and mending a Lock	0	8	0
The Somme disbursed - -	29	6	10

Arrereages to bee Respited

Thomas Robertes 1 li. 5s. 6d. Roger Yealand 7s. 6d. Robert Hodgson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 2s. 3d. Hugh Barlowe 2 li. 4s. 6d. William Wigfall 1 li. 7s. Thomas Wilson 6s. 3d. John Swinden 1 li. 2s. Arthur Stevin 2 li. 10s. 8d. Robert Hall 7s. 6d. Widow Belfeld 4s. 2d. [P. 151.] 1643—Thomas Wigfall 13s. 8d. Richard Allin 1s. 6d. Godfrey Stevin 7s. 6d. Widow Youle 1 li. 6s. 8d. Mary Fletcher 2 li. 6s. 8d. Lawrence Rodger 1li. Thomas Middleton 1s. George Jackson 5 li. 8s. James Peniston 3s. Nicholas Atkinson 1 li. 10s. Mary Spaight 1 li. 7s. Hugh Cheyney 10s. John Hanbie 1 li. 13s. 4d. Widow Frenshe 5s. 4d. Edmund Lethwood 5 li. Mr. Mathew Thompson 2 li. 10s.

The Somme arrereages - -	34	3	6
The somme disbursed and arreare is - - -	63	10	4
So resteth which was delivered to Robert Howsley thelder appointed Collector for the next year -	35	11	8

Anno Domini 1644.

The Burgery of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Robert Howsley thelder Collector there taken the Sixt daie of June 1644 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

The Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with money Remeining the last Reckoning - -	35	11	8
and with a whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last- - - - - - - - -	27	13	0
and with interest money received for 100 li. -	6	13	4
[1] for the dinners of thassembly quest - - -			
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - -	34	3	6
The Somme of the Charge -	104	1	6
Inde Disbursed by the said Collector			
To Stone (the wait) for his Cote - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that weare of thassembly quest and writeing and delivering in of their verdict - - - - - - - - - -	0	13	6

[1] Crossed out.

	li.	s.	d.
for Rent for the woorkhouse croft - - -	0	10	0
deliuered to the Overseers for the poore - -	6	13	4
[P. 152.] 1644.—paid for the defraying of Sesmentes and other necesary and needfull uses - - - - - - - - -	15	18	8
for Repairing the Churchwall and charges about the Bridge - - - - - - -	0	4	4
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bellman - - - - - - -	0	2	0
for writing these Accomptes - - - -	0	2	6
The Collectoures fee - - - - - -	0	2	6
Charges att the taking of these accomptes -	0	3	4
The somme disbursed - -	25	11	2

Arrereages to bee Respited

Thomas Robertes 1 li. 11s. Roger Yealand 10s. Robert Hodgson 2s. 6d. Richard Lee 3s. 9d. Hugh Barlowe 2 li. 9s. 6d. William Wigfall 1 li. 13s. 6d. Thomas Wilson 8s. 9d. John Swinden 1 li. 4s. Arthur Stevin 2 li. 14s. 8d. Robert Hall 9s. 2d. Widow Belfeld 5s. 10d. Thomas Wigfall 15s. 8d. Richard Allin 2s. Godfrey Stevin 10s. William Lodge 5s. Thomas Moake 2s. Francis Yates 2s. Thomas Webster 6s. 6d. Widow Youle 4 li. Mary Fletcher 2 li. 13s. 4d. William Doughtie 16s. 8d. Widow Butler 2 li. Thomas Middleton 2s. George Jackson 5 li. 16s. Thomas Harwood 5s. 6d. James Peniston 3s. Nicholas Atkinson 1 li. 10s. James Savage 2s. Mary Spaight 1 li. 8s. 6d. George Brewell 16s. William Walton 2 li. Hugh Cheyney 1 li. Nicholas Birley 16s. John Hanbie 2 li. Widow Frenshe 10s. 8d. Edward Robinson 1s. Edmund Lethwood 10 li. Mr. Tompson 5 li.

The Somme arrereages- -	54	16	6
The Somme disbursed and arreare is -	80	7	8
[P. 153.] 1644.—delivered to Thomas Skargell the younger and Thomas Bretland for the setting of the poore on worke - - -	11	0	0
So resteth which was delivered to Richard Colton appointed Collector for the next year.	12	13	10

Anno Domini 1645.

The Burgery of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Richard Coulton Collector there taken the Nyne and Twentithe daie of Maie 1645 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ended at Martinmas last.

The Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to be charged with money remeining the last Reckoning - -	12	13	10
and with a whole yeares Rent ended at Martintinmas last - - - - - - - -	27	13	0
and with interest money receiued for 100 li. -	6	13	4
and with arrereages - - - - - -	52	15	6
and with arrereages receiued of William Walton - - - - - - - -	2	0	0
and with arreages receiued of Hugh Cheyney -	1	0	0
and with arreages receiued of Edward Robinson	0	1	0
The summe of the charge -	102	16	8

Inde disbursed by the said Collector

To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	1	0	0
for the dinners of those that were of thassembly quest and writeing and deliuering in of their verdict - - - - - - - -	0	13	6
for Rent for the woorkehouse crofte- - -	0	10	0
Delivered to the overseers of the poore - -	6	13	4
Delivered to Robert Stacie when my Lord of Manchesters army tooke this Castle[1] - -	6	0	0
for dressing of Frenche and Hanby houses -	0	1	6
for mending the chimney and walls of an house	0	6	1
To Clayton and Courtnell for making the Centriehouses - - - - - - - -	0	11	0
for another weekes worke to them - - -	0	11	0
to old Beighton for getting of clotts- - -	0	2	0
to Edward Webster for leading of clotts - -	0	5	0
for dressing the Lady Bridge - - - -	0	3	8
To Robert Skargell for nailes for the Centriehouses - - - - - - - - -	0	2	9
More to William Hartley for nailes for the same use - - - - - - - -	0	2	2
for making two keys and mending two lockes -	0	1	0
[P. 154.] for necessary and needfull uses for the Towne - - - - - - - -	10	0	0
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bellman - - - - - - - -	0	2	0

[1] In April, 1643, the Earl of Newcastle, commanding the Royal Army, marched from Wakefield with part of his forces to attack Rotherham and Sheffield, which had fortified themselves in the interest of the Parliament. Rotherham showed fight but was taken by storm, Sheffield surrendered, and a royalist garrison was placed in the castle. In the following year the castle surrendered to the Parliamentarians, under Major-General Crawford, after a bombardment, 11th Aug., 1644. It is to this event that the entry in the text refers. For particulars of the siege and capitulation see "Hallamshire," pp. 141-2.

	li.	s.	d.
for writeing these accomptes - - - - -	0	2	6
the Collectours fee - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
for felling and leading of 3 load of poles, for graving clodes, for nailes, and drinck and 3 lockes - - - - - - - - - - -	0	8	2
To William Savage for 6 li. of Lubeck iron to make staples of[1] - - - - - - - -	0	1	3
to Tompson of Woodthorpe for leading of three loades of morter to the Centrie house - -	0	1	6
for graving cloddes (for makeing the bullworkes) for leading them, for wrights wages, for nailes, for making chaines and staples & for lockes -	3	7	0
The somme disbursed - -	31	8	11

Arrereages to bee respited

Thomas Robertes 1 li. 16s. 6d. Rodger Yelland 10s. Robert Hodgson 5s. Richard Lee 3s. 9d. Hugh Barlowe 2 li. 14s. 6d. William Wigfall 2 li. Thomas Willson 11s. 3d. Robert Swinden 1 li. 6s. Arthur Stevin 2 li. 18s. 8d. Robert Hall 10s. 10d. Widow Belfeld 7s. 6d. Thomas Wigfall 17s. 8d. William Lodge 5s. Richard Allin 2s. 6d. Thomas Moke 2s. Francis Yates 2s. Godfrey Stevin 12s. 6d. Thomas Webster 6s. 6d. Widow Youle 4 li. Mary Fletcher 3 li. William Doughty 16s. 8d. Widow Butler 2 li. Lawrence Rodger 2 li. Thomas Middleton 3s. George Jackson 6 li. 4s. Thomas Harwood 5s. 6d. James Peniston 6s. Nicholas Atkinson 1 li. 15s. James Savage 4s. Mary Speight 1 li. 8s. 6d. George Brewell 16s. Hugh Cheyney 10s. Nicholas Birley 16s. John Handbie 2 li. 6s. 8d. Widow Frenche 13s. 4d. Edmund Lethwood 12 li. 10s. Mr. Mathewe Thompson 7 li. 10s.

	li.	s.	d.
The some arrereages - -	62	16	10
The somme disbursed and arreare is -	94	5	9
So resteth which was delivered to Nicholas Lockwood appointed Collector for the next year - - - - - - - - - -	8	10	11
[P. 155.] Allowed to Edmund Lethwood out of his arrereages for the building of an house and other charges - - - - - - -	11	0	0

[1] 1637, June 15.—To this Court comes William Savage de Sheffield, and surrenders half a bovat in Mosbro' and Ridgeway, called Long greave, late in the tenure of Joseph Woodrove, gent., and before that in the tenure of John Rotherham, and now in the tenure of Elizabeth Cam, of Carfield, in Ridgeway, widow, which was lately surrendered to the late William Savage by Edward Eyre, of Armytage, co. Stafford, gent., to the use and behoof of the said Elizabeth Cam, widow.—*Court Rolls of the Manor of Eckington, co. Derby.*

	li.	s.	d.
Paid to Nicholas Lockwood - - - -	0	10	0
Remeining which hee is to pay within the compasse of one yeare - - - - - -	1	0	0

ANNO DOMINI 1646.

The Burgery of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Nicholas Lockwood Collectour there taken the Third daie of June 1646 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

The Charge	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collectour is to bee charged with money remeining the last Reckoning - -	9	0	11
and with one whole yeares Rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - -	25	14	0
and with arrereages - - - - - - -	50	6	10
and with interest money Received for 100 li. -	5	0	0
The summe of the charge -	90	1	9
Inde disbursed by the said Collector			
To Stone (the waite) for his cote - - -	1	0	0
for Rent for the workehouse crofte - - -	0	10	0
for the dinners of those that were att thassembly quest and for writing and delivering in of their verdict - - - - - - - -	0	13	6
delivered to the Overseers of the poore - -	5	0	0
for worke done and for dreseing the Lady bridge and the pauement att Churchyates- - -	0	2	9
for paleing and feying the Barkers poole - -	0	16	2
To John Crooke for the Townes buisinese - -	1	0	0
for 2 hookes - - - - - - - -	0	0	5
for charges of those who were att the last accompt makeing - - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bellman - - - - - - -	0	2	0
for writeing these accomptes - - - -	0	2	6
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
The summe disbursed - -	9	13	4

Arrereages to bee respited.

Thomas Robertes 2 li. 2s. Roger Yelland 12s. 6d. Robert Hodshon 5s. Richard Lee 3s. 9d. Hugh Barlowe 2 li. 19s. 6d. William Wigfall 2 li. Thomas Wilson 11s. 3d. John Swinden 1 li. 8s. [P. 156.] 1646—Arthur Steven 3 li. 2s. 8d. Robert Hall 10s. 10d. Widow Belfeld 7s. 6d. Thomas Wigfall 17s. 8d. William Lodge 5s. Richard Allen 3s.

Godfrey Steven 12s. 6d. Widow Youle 4 li. Robert Spencer 3 li. William Doughty 8s. 4d. Widow Butler 1 li. William Rodger 2 li. Thomas Middleton 4s. George Jackson 6 li. 12s. James Peniston 9s. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 15s. Mary Speight 1 li. 7s. Hugh Cheyney 1 li. George Brewell 16s. Mr. Tompson 8 li. John Hanby 2 li. 13s 4d.

	li.	s.	d.
The summe arreare - -	49	5	10
The summe disbursed and arreare is -	58	19	2
So Resteth which was delivered to Malin Sorsby appointed Collector for the next year	31	2	7
Recd. for 2 years. James Barnes rent improved		3	4
per annum - - - - - - - -	0	3	[1]4
Recd. Daniell Meares per annum - - -	0	7	0
Remeining in Edmund Letwoods handes - -	1	0	0
Abated to Anne Steven in her arreares - -	0	13	4
The whole remaining - -	32	1	11

The Burgery of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Malin Sorsby Collector there taken the Second daie of August 1647 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

The Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First the said Collector is to bee charged with moneys remeining the last Reckoning - -	32	0	11[2]
and with one whole yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last - - - - - - -	26	8	8
and with arreares - - - - - - -	49	5	10
and with interest money Received for 100 li. -	5	0	0
and with moneys Received of Thomas Crosley -	0	6	0
The Summe of the Charge -	[left blank]		

[P. 157.] 1647.—Inde disbursed by the said Collector

	li.	s.	d.
To the Overseers of the poore - - - -	5	0	0
for Rent for the workehouse crofte - - -	0	10	0
for the dinners of those that were att the Assembly quest and for writing and delivering in of their verdict - - - - - -	0	13	6
for dressing the Lady Bridge - - - -	0	1	8
for the pinfold doore and worke done about the same - - - - - - - - -	0	10	4
for Repairing the workhouse and for lead - -	0	2	6
for mending the Lady Bridge - - - -	3	11	6
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0

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[1] 3. 4 is written over 16s. 8d. [2] Sic.

	li.	s.	d.
To the Belman- - - - - - - -	0	2	0
for writing these accomptes - - - -	0	2	6
for charges of those who were att the last accompt makeing - - - - - - -	0	4	6
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
Remeining in the workhouse a londiron[1] priced att - - - - - - - - - -	0	9	0
Given to Mistris Tompson back of her arreares-	0	5	0
Paid to Captain Burton, Captain Harwood and others for the Townes use - - - -	5	0	0
delivered to Mr. Newman Constable for the year 1647 - - - - - - - - -	9	0	0
The Summe disbursed - -	25	16	0

Arrereages to bee respited.

Thomas Robertes 2 li. 7s. 6d. Roger Yelland 12s. 6d. Richard Lee 3s. 9d. Hugh Barlowe 2 li. 19s. 6d. William Wigfall 2 li Thomas Wilson 11s. 3d. John Swinden 1 li. 10s. Arthur Steven 3 li. 2s. 8d. Robert Hall 12s. 6d. Widow Belfeld 9s 2d. Thomas Wigfall 17s. 8d. William Lodge 5s. Richard Allen 3s. Godfrey Steven 12s 6d. Widow Youle 4 li. Robert Spencer 3 li. William Doughty 8s. 4d. Widow Butler 1 li. William Roger 3 li. Thomas Middleton 4s. George Jackson 7 li. James Peniston 9s. Nicholas Attkinson 1 li. 15s. Mary Speight 1 li. 7s. George Brewell 16s. Hugh Cheiney 1 li. John Hanby 2 li. 13s. 4d. Edmund Lethwood 3 li. Mr. Mathew Tompson 4 li. 16s.

The sume arreare[2] [left blank]

The Summe disbursed and arreare is [left blank]

So Resteth which was delivered to John Hall appointed Collector for the next year [left blank]

[P. 158.] 1648.—The accompt of John Hall, collector, there taken the nynthe day of March, 1659,[3] for the rentes and revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended at Martinmas, 1647.

The Charged (sic)	li.	s.	d.
First the Collector is to be charged with one whole yeares rent ended at Martinmas 1647 -	23	18	8

[1] French *landier*. A utensil for supporting burning wood. They were used in pairs, one on each side of the hearth, and were known as "fire dogs."

[2] Left blank, but the arrears cast up to £50. 15s. 6d.

[3] 1659 seems to be a clerical error for 1648, a circumstance that shows the accounts were submitted on separate sheets, and later entered in the book.

	li.	s.	d.
and with arrereages - - - - - - -	50	15	8
and with interest money received of George Lee	5	0	0
The summe of the charge is -	79	14	4
Wherof disbursed			
For worke done about the Barkers poole, and for stones, mosse, rayles and lockes for the same - - - - - - - - - -	1	16	9
for stone and mending the Townes well - -	0	14	9
for Rent for the workhouse and crofte for the yeares 1647 and 1648 - - - - - -	1	0	0
for the Juryes dinner - - - - - -	0	13	0
to William Wadsworth for a Rentall- - -	0	1	6
Payd for chaynes, lockes, turnpikes,[1] and other necessaries, as appeares by particulars then shewed - - - - - - - - - -	1	17	3
for Cleansing the Lady Bridge- - - - -	0	1	1
Paid to Thomas Skargell for Beefe, Mutton, and Lambe for a present for the Lord of Arundell[2] - - - - - - - - - -	4	10	0
Paid to Edward Wood for the use of the poore-	5	0	0
The Summe disbursed - -	[Left blank]		

Arrereages to bee respited

Thomas Robertes 2 li. 13s. Roger Yelland 15s. Richard Lee 3s. 9d. Hugh Barlow 3 li. 4s. 6d. William Wigfall 2 li. Thomas Wilson 11s. 3d. John Swinden 1 li. 12s. Arthur Stevin 3 li 6s. 8d. Robert Hall 14s. 4d. Widdowe Bellfeld 10s. 10d. Thomas Wigfall 17s. 8d. William Lodge 5s. Elizabeth Phillippott 1s. 6d. Richard Allen 3s. 6d. Godfrey Stevin 12s. 6d. Widdowe Youle 6 li. 13s. 4d. Robert Spencer 3 li. William Doughty 8s. 4d. Widdowe Butler 1s. More for Ronckesley house 13s. 4d. William Rodger of Isleywight 4 li. [P. 259.] Thomas Midleton 5s. George Jackson 7 li. 8s. James Peniston 12s. Nicholas Atkinson 2 li. Mary Speight 1 li. 7s. James Barnes 6s. 8d. George Brewell 1 li. 12s. Hugh Cheney 1 li. 10s. Nicholas Birley 16s. John Handby 3 li. Edmund Lethwood 6 li. Mr. Tompson 4 li. 16s.

	li.	s.	d.
Arrereages - - - - -	62	19	0
The summe disbursed and arrereages[3] -	[Left blank]		

[1] A turnpike was a spiked barrier set across a narrow street or passage, to prevent horsemen or carriages passing through.

[2] Henry Frederick, son of Thomas, Earl of Arundel, by his wife, Alethea Talbot, d. of Gilbert, Earl of Shrewsbury, succeeded his father as 3rd Earl of Arundel, 4th Oct., 1646, d. 17th April, 1652.

[3] Pages 160—162 are blank. The accounts for 1648 and 1649 omitted.

ANNO DOMINI 1652.

[P. 163.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of William Skargell Collectour there taken the 25th daie of November 1652 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended at Martinmas 1650.

The Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First he chargeth himselfe with money received at the last Reckoning - - - - - -	6	10	9
and with a yeares Rent ended at Martinmas 1650	23	13	2
and with arrereages - - - - - - -	64	13	10
and with interest money receivede for 100 li. -	6	13	4
and with interest money receivede for 50 li. -	3	6	8
The Summe of the Charge -	104	17	9
Inde disbursed by the said Collectour			
To Thomas and Ralph Shore for walling the well at the workehouse - - - - - -	1	7	0
for Rent for the workehouse crofte for the yeares 1651 and 1652 - - - - - -	1	0	0
To Richard Hobson for slateing 2 bay[1] of the workehouse and for newe slate - - -	1	4	0
given them to drinck - - - - - -	0	0	6
to Frost wife for Mosse - - - - - -	0	2	4
for 4 bunches of slate lattes - - - - -	0	4	0
for Nayles - - - - - - - - -	0	5	9
for 3 mettes of Lyme - - - - - -	0	1	3
for worke done about the Bridge and for drinck	0	6	6
for Clensing Barker poole - - - - - -	0	4	6
To [Edward] Berry the waite for his cote[2] -	1	0	0
For charges of making of the cage[3] - - -	7	1	2
For stoopes, rayles, bordes and nayles for mending the Barker poole and for worke done about the same - - - - - - -	0	14	3
for clensing before the Churchyates - - -	0	0	8
to the Churchwardens and Overseers for the poore - - - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
paid for the Jury dinner and writing and receiving the verdict - - - - - - -	0	13	6

[1] At this period houses were estimated and measured by the bay—a space of about 15 feet.

[2] Michael Stone was waite to the town 15 Dec., 1607 to 1615. Robt. Stone, 1616. Michael Stone, 1617. "Young" Stone, 1618-1624. Stone 1625-1647.

[3] See note p. 98. In the constable's accounts for 1614 occurs this entry: "paid for key and neiles to mend the cage, ijd."—See Add. MS., 24,440, fol. 66.

	li.	s.	d.
for repaireing the Bridge at the Castle Greene end	0	2	8
To John Creswick for a daies labour	0	0	10
Given them to drinck, ij d., and for nailes, j d.	0	0	3
for 7 stoopes, being 14 yeards	0	2	4
For 10 yeards of gysts [joists] and 6 yeards of rayles	0	3	6
to Atkinson for paueing of the stoopes[1]	0	0	6
for Coppying a lease	0	1	0
for writing this accompt	0	2	6
to the Bedle for 2 yeares	0	2	0
To the Bellman for 2 yeares	0	4	0
The Collectours fee	0	2	6
The Summe disbursed	20	7	6

Arrereages to bee respited.

Thomas Robertes 3 li. 9s. 6d. Charles Bower 12s. 6d. Hugh Wigfall 3s. 9d. Hugh Barlowe 3 li. 19s. 6d. William Wigfall 2 li. 19s. 6d. Thomas Wilson 16s. 3d. [P. 164.] John Swinden 1 li. 18s. Arthur Stevin 3 li. 18s. 8d. Widow Belfeld 15s. 10d. John Ryles 17s. 8d. William Judge 5s. Richard Allen 5s. Godrey Stevin 10s. Daniell Meares 7s. Daniell Meares 11s. Widow Youle 8 li. 11s. Robert Spencer 3 li. 6s. 8d. Robert Spencer 11s. William Rodger of Ily wight 4 li. Thomas Midleton 8s. George Jackson 8 li. 12s. Thomas Harwood 11s. James Peniston 15s. Nicholas Atkinson 1 li. 10s. Mary Speight 1 li. 7s. James Barnes 13s. 4d. George Brewell 2 li. 8s. Hugh Cheney 2 li. 15s. Nicholas Birley 1 li. 12s. John Handby 3 li. Edmund Lethwood 6 li.

	li.	s.	d.
The sum of Arreare	67	9	2
The summe disbursed and arreare is	87	16	8
So resteth which was delivered to John Dale appointed Collectour for the next year	17	1	1

The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of John Dale[2] Collector there taken the 30th daie of December 1653 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for Two whole yeares ended att Martinmas last.

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[1] Our word "pave" is from the Lat. *pauire*, to ram, press down. It is very interesting to find the word here used in its Latin sense.

[2] 1620. Sept. 11.—Richard Dale, son of Thomas Dale, deceased, late of Hallam, and John Dale, brother of the said Richard D., per Thomas Machon, Senior, of Stumperlow, and John Machon, of Hallam, surrender lands, &c., called Netherfield, in parish of Sheffield, to the use and behoof of Thomas Machon, Junior, of Stumperlow, 1575. April 18.—Robert Machon surrenders one close, containing 3 acres lying between Thorneland and Rookgate to the use of Thomas Dale, &c.—*Sheffield Court Rolls.*

the Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First hee chargeth himselfe with money received the last Reckoning - - - - -	17	1	1
and with 2 yeares rent ended att Martinmas last - - - - - - - - -	43	6	4
and with arrereages as appeareth att the foote of the last Reckoning - - - - - -	67	9	2
and with halfe of a yeares rent received of Mr. Whittakers - - - - - - - - -	2	5	0
and with a yeares Rent Received of Francis Brownell - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
and with halfe of a yeares rent received of George Flint- - - - - - - - -	0	0	9
and with money remeineing in Nodders handes - - - - - - - - - -	100	0	0
and with interest money received for that 100 li. for 2 yeares - - - - - - - - -	12	0	0
And with money remeineing in Nicholas Pearsons hands - - - - - - - - -	50	0	0
and with interest money received for that 50 li. for 2 yeares - - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
[P. 165.] and with money received of Mr. Griffith for arreares for the workhouse - -	9	2	0
and with money received of Malin Sorsbie which remeined in his hands since hee made his accompt - - - - - - - - -	0	19	0
The Summe of the Charge is-	308	4	4
and with money received of Joseph Walton -	1	15	0
Wherof disbursed by the said Collectour			
Laid out about suite in prosecution of George Rose - - - - - - - - - -	7	15	0
to John Crooke, Malin Sorsbie, and Robert Howsley, which they laid forth in going to Derby - - - - - - - - - -	1	6	10
Charges about Barker poole and rayleing Little bridge - - - - - - - - - -	2	16	2
to Joshua Shemeld for the use of the poore -	6	10	0
for charges about the workehouse - - -	2	10	1
for a yate for the workehouse crofte and setting stoopes - - - - - - - - - -	0	7	6
for rent for the workehouse and crofte - -	0	10	0
for walling Churchyeard wall and Pinfould wall and for getting and leading stones- - -	2	3	4
for worke done about Lady bridge, for water worke, for Cramping and pointing, for wedges and liquor - - - - - - - - -	5	15	8

	li.	s.	d.
To Berry (the waite) for a year and a halfe paie[1] - - - - - - - - - -	1	10	0
for the Jury dinner and for writing and receiueing their verdict - - - - - - -	0	13	6
for two quarts of wyne when the Justices was at the Towne - - - - - - - -	0	3	4
for taking Malin Sorsbie's accompt - - -	0	2	0
To James Lee for makeing a Lease and Coppying 2 Rentalls - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
Spent at 3 meetings and a key for Barker poole - - - - - - - - - - -	0	1	5
for dressing the Lady Bridge and mending the water lane spoute - - - - - - -	0	4	0
Paid to William Birley for Rent - - -	3	0	0
to Thomas Cooke for rent- - - - - -	2	2	0
for writing this accompt - - - - - -	0	2	6
to the Bedle - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
to the Belman - - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
the Collectours fee - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
for the dinners of those that were present at the takeing of this accompt - - - - -	0	10	0
remeining in Nodders hands - - - - -	100	0	0
remeining in Pearson's hands - - - - -	50	0	0
remeining in Nicholas Pearsons and Anthony Bates handes - - - - - - - -	30	0	0
allowed to Robert Spencer towardes charges in building - - - - - - - - -	2	17	0
The Summe disbursed - -	221	8	10

[P. 166.] Arrereages to bee respited.

Richard Robertes 3 li. 15s. Charles Bower 12s. 6d. Hugh Wigfall 3s. 9d. Widow Barlowe 4 li. 9s. 6d. Thomas Wigfall 2 li. 19s. 6d. Thomas Wilson 18s. 9d. John Swinden 2 li. 2s. Arthur Steven 4 li. 6s. 8d. Widow Belfeld 19s. 2d. John Ryles 17s. William Lodge 5s. Thomas Midleton 10s. Richard Allen 6s. Nicholas Stewardson 1s. Widow Steven 10s. Widow Wilson 10 li. 17s. 8d. Robert Spencer 2 li. 16s. William Rodger Ilywight 4 li. George Jackson 9 li. 8s. James Peniston 15s. Nicholas Atkinson 2 li. James Barnes 13s. 4d. George Brewell 2 li. 8s. Hugh Cheney 3 li. 15s. Nicholas Birley 2 li. 8s. John Handbie 3 li. Edmund Lethwood 6 li. for the house where John Webster dwelleth 11s.

Summe arrereages - -	71	10	10

[1] After 1650 the waite's "coat" is usually changed into his "years paie," being £1, same as the coat.

	li.	s.	d.
The Summe disbursed and arreare - -	292	19	8
So resteth which was delivered to William Creswick appointed Collector for the next year - - - - - - - - -	16	19	8

The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of William Creswick Collectour there taken the 11th daie of November 1654 for the rents and revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended this present daie.

The Charge	li.	s.	d.
First hee chargeth himself with money receiued the last Reckoning - - - - - -	16	19	8
and with a yeares rent - - - - - -	31	1	6
and with arrereages as appeareth at the foote of the last reckoning, wherof received of Richard Roberts 15s., of Nicholas Birley 16s., and of Edmund Lethwood, ij li. - -	68	1	10
and with money received of Joseph Walton due by bill - - - - - - - -	2	0	0
and with money received of Edward Barlowe which hee received of George Rose - -	6	0	0
[P. 167.] and with money remeineing in Nodders hands - - - - - - -	100	0	0
and with money remeining in Nicholas Pearson's handes - - - - - - -	50	0	0
and with money remeining in Nicholas Pearson and Anthony Bate hands - - - - -	30	0	0
The Summe of the Charge is-	304	3	0
Whereof disbursed			
To Shores for lyme, sand, their worke and other necessaries at the Lady bridge - -	15	4	4
to Nicholas Beever for leading stones to the bridge - - - - - - - - - -	7	6	0
To Berry (the waite) for a year paie - -	1	0	0
to William Lodge as a poore man - - -	0	10	0
for the Jury dinner and for writeing and receiuing their verdict - - - - - -	0	13	6
for charges about the workehouse - - -	1	4	7
to John Crooke for his charges in going to the Sessions - - - - - - - - -	0	0	6
for rent for the workehouse and crofte - -	0	10	0
for writing this accompt - - - - - -	0	2	6
to the Bedle - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0

	li.	s.	d.
to the Belman - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
the collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
for the dinners of those that were present at the taking of this accompt - - - -	0	10	0
remeining in Nodders handes - - - -	100	0	0
remaining in Nicholas Pearsons hands - -	50	0	0
remaining in Nicholas Pearsons handes and Anthony Bates handes - - - - -	30	0	0
and paid to James Lee for entering Two accomptes (to witt) the Accomptes of Malin Sorsbie and Robert Skargell, William Creswick and Thomas Wadsworth Collectour for the poore - - - - - - - -	0	4	0
The summe disbursed is -	207	10	11

Arrereages to bee respited.

Richard Robertes 3 li. Charles Bower 12s. 6d. Hugh Wigfall 3s. 9d. Hugh Barlowe 4 li. 14s. 6d. John Wigfall 2 li. 19s. 6d. Thomas Wilson 18s. 9d. John Swinden 2 li. 4s. Arthur Stevin 4 li. 10s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 17s. Widow Belfeld 19s. 2d. Thomas Riche 3s. Richard Allen 6s. 6d. Nicholas Stewardson 1s. Widow Stevin 10s. Widow Wilson 10 li. 17s. 8d. Robert Spencer 1 li. 9s. more by him 1 li. 13s. William Rodger 4 li. [P. 168.] Thomas Midleton 11s. George Jackson 9 li. 16s. John Webster 1 li. 15s. 6d. James Peniston 15s. Nicholas Atkinson 2 li. James Barnes 13s. 4d. George Brewell 2 li. 8s. Nicholas Birley 1 li. 12s. John Handbie 3 li. Edmund Lethwood 4 li.

	li.	s.	d.
The Summe arreare is - -	66	10	10
Besides halfe of a yeares rent from John Halley which is j li. v s. but not due from him by reason hee hath but been admitted tenant to the towne for one halfe year rent last past as will appeare by lease; and halfe of a yeares rent from Mr. Whittaker which is ij li. v s. which is not yett due by reason it is agreed that his rent shalbee a latter rent, and besides from Robert Hewood, vj d., and George Flint, ix d., which in all comes to -	3	11	3
The summe arreare abated and disbursed is -	277	13	0
So remains which was delivered to Robert Stacie appointed Collectour for the next year - - - - - - - - -	26	10	0

The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeild.—The Accompt of Robert Stacie collectour there taken the Nynthe daie of November 1655 for the Rents and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended at Martinmas last.

the Charge	li.	s.	d.
First hee chargeth himselfe with money received at the last Reckoning- - - -	26	10	0
and with a yeares Rent - - - - - -	31	2	6
and with arrereages as appeareth at the foote of the Last Reckoning - - - - -	66	10	10
and with money remeineing in Nodders hands-	100	0	0
and with money remeineing in Nicholas Pearsons handes - - - - - - - -	50	0	0
and with money remeineing in Nicholas Pearson and Anthony Bate handes - - -	30	0	0
and with money received of Robert Skargell for iron chaines - - - - - - - -	1	1	4
and with money received of Nodder for interest of 100 li. - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
and with money received of Nicholas Pearson for interest of 50 li. - - - - - -	3	0	0
and with money received of Nicholas Pearson and Widow Bate for interest of 30 li. - -	1	16	0
[P. 169.] and with xix li. received of John Guy and Samuell Barlowe being the Stock at Workehouse- - - - - - - -	19	0	0
The Summe of the charge is-	335	0	8
Whereof disbursed			
To John Webster, Thomas Trickett, Leonard Wood and Robert Allin, Churchwardens and Overseers of the poore - - - - - -	6	0	0
for cleansing the Lady bridge - - - - -	0	3	0
paid for bordes, rayles and nayles for Barker poole, and for repaireing of the same - -	0	5	6
To the waite for his Coate - - - - -	1	0	0
For the Jury dinners - - - - -	0	10	0
for writeing the verduite - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bedle - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To William Lhiss[1] for a lock and staples for workehouse dore - - - - - - -	0	1	6
to James Lee by order for his paines about Robert Allin and Leonard Wood accomptes-	0	5	0
To William Creswick for a purse - - - -	0	0	3

[1] Illegible.

	li.	s.	d.
To Bower and Wright for carrying a chist to the Workehouse - - - - - - -	0	0	6
paid about John Websters distresse- - -	0	0	4
To Tho. Hayes for 2 keyes and jemmers[1] for a chist at workehouse - - - - - -	0	1	9
Paid to Samuell Barlowe and John Sanderson overseers of the poore as appeareth by their acquittance - - - - - - - -	20	0	0
To Clayton for makeing a grate[2] at Church yates - - - - - - - - - -	0	6	6
To Robert Wright for helping Clayton when he mended the Church yates- - - -	0	0	6
To Symon Stones for plateing[3] Church yates and mending of snecks - - - - -	0	5	6
for paueing of Lady Bridge for bringing stones and for labourers - - - - - -	0	9	8
To Symon Stones for a dyall and setting it up - - - - - - - - -	0	4	0
remeineing in Nodders hands - - - -	100	0	0
in Nicholas Pearsons hands - - - -	50	0	0
in Jervase Cooper hands - - - - -	30	0	0
in Nicholas Pearsons hands - - - -	20	0	0
abated to William Yates in his arrereages by agreement - - - - - - - -	2	9	6
Mr. Whittaker rent abated by order- - -	4	10	0
for rent for the workehouse and crofte - -	0	10	0
for writeing this accompt - - - - -	0	2	6
to the Belman - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
the Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
for the dinners of those that were present at the takeing of this accompt - - - -	0	10	0
the Summe disbursed - -	238	4	0

Arrereages to bee respited

Richard Robertes 3 li. Charles Bower 12s. 6d. Hugh Wigfall 3s. 9d. John Wigfall 2 li. 19s. 6d. Thomas Wilson 18s. 9d. John Swinden 2 li. 6s. Arthur Stevin 4 li. 10s. 8d. [P. 170.] Nicholas Topcliffe 17s. Widow Belfeld 19s. 2d. Richard Allin 6s. 6d. Nicholas Stewardson 1s. Widow Stevin 10s Widow Wilson 10 li. 17s. 8d. Roberte Spencer 1 li. 9s. Roberte Spencer 1 li. 13s. William Roger of Ileywight 4 li. Thomas Midleton 12s. George Jackson 10 li. 4s. James Peniston 15s. Nicholas Atkinson 2 li.

[1] Hinges. See note, p. 54. [2] A structure of lattice work on iron bars.
[3] Putting on plates of iron.

James Barnes 13s. 4d. George Brewell 2 li. 8s. Nicholas Birley 1 li. 12s. John Handby 3 li. Edmund Lethwood 3 li. Thomas Robertes 1s. Thomas Stevin 1s.

	li.	s.	d.
The summe arrereages - -	59	10	10
The summe disbursed and arrere -	297	14	10
So resteth which was delivered to Edward Barlowe appointed the next Collector - -	37	5	10

The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Edward Barlowe[1] Collector there taken the Fifteenthe daie of November 1655 for the rents and revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended at Martinmas 1655.

The Charge	li.	s.	d.
First hee chargeth himselfe with money received at the last reckoning - - - -	37	5	10
and with money received of Robert Stacie -	0	9	6
and with a yeares rent - - - - - -	31	0	0
and with arrereages as appeareth at the foote of the last reckoning - - - - - -	59	10	10
and with money remeineing in Nodders hands -	100	0	0
and with money remeineing in Nicholas Pearsons hands - - - - - - - -	50	0	0
More in his hands - - - - - - -	20	0	0
aud with money remeineing in Jervase Coopers hands - - - - - - - - -	30	0	0
and with money received of Nodder for interest of 100 li. - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
and with money received of Nicholas Pearson for interest of 70 li. - - - - - -	4	0	0
and with money received of Jervase Cowper for interest of 30 li. - - - - - -	1	16	0
and with money received of Edmund Lethwood in parte of a bond - - - - -	1	0	0
The Summe of the Charge -	341	3	2
[P. 171.] Wherof disbursed.			
To Samuell Barlowe and Thomas Parkin for the use of the poore - - - - - -	6	0	0
for charges in mending the Lady bridge - -	3	10	0
for heckles[2] and swingle trees for the workehouse - - - - - - - - - -	0	12	0

[1] Barlowe is, by a clerical error, described as collector up to Martinmas, 1655. It should be 1656. Joshua Shemeld, in the same way, is put down for 1656, instead of 1657.

[2] Instruments for dressing flax.

	li.	s.	d.
for rent for the workehouse and crofte - -	0	10	0
for the Jury dinners - - - - - -	0	10	0
for writeing the verdict - - - - -	0	3	6
for cleansing the bridge - - - - -	0	2	6
for mending the Church yates - - - -	0	2	7
To the waite for his cote - - - - -	1	0	0
remeineing in Nodders handes - - - -	100	0	0
remeineing in Nicholas Pearsons hands - -	50	0	0
more in his handes - - - - - -	20	0	0
in Jervase Coopers handes - - - -	30	0	0
for writing this accompt - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bellman - - - - - - -	0	2	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
for the dinners of those that were present at the takeing of this accompt - - - -	0	10	0
for makeing the Rent roll- - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
Mr. Whittaker rent abated by order- - -	4	10	0
The Summe disbursed - -	217	19	7

Arrereages to bee respited.

Richard Robertes 1 li. 5s. Charles Bower 12s. 6d. John Wigfall 2 li. 19s. 6d. Thomas Wilson 18s. 9d. John Swinden 2 li. 8s. Arthur Stevin 4 li. 12s. 8d. Nicholas Topcliffe 17s. Widow Belfeld 19s. 2d. Richard Allen 7s. Nicholas Stewardson 1s. Widow Stevin 10s. Widow Wilson 11 li. 11s. Robert Spencer 1 li. 9s. Robert Spencer 1 li. 13s. William Roger of Ileywight 4 li. Thomas Midleton 13s. George Jackson 10 li. 12s. James Peniston 15s. Nicholas Atkinson 2 li. James Barnes 13s. 4d. George Brewell 2 li. 8s. Nicholas Birley 1 li. 12s. John Handby 3 li. Edmund Lethwood 3 li. [P. 172.] Thomas Robertes 2s. George Stevin 6d.

The Summe arrereages - -	58	19	5
The Summe disbursed and arrereages -	276	19	0
So resteth which was delivered to Joshua Shemeld appointed next Collectour - -	64	4	2

The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Joshua Shemeld Collectour there taken the fowerteenth day of November 1657 for the rents and revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ended at Martimas 1656.

the Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First hee chargeth himselfe with money receiued at the last reckoning - - - -	64	4	2

	li.	s.	d.
and with a yeares rent - - - - - -	31	1	6
and with arrereages as appeareth at the foote of the last reckoning - - - - - -	58	19	5
and with money remeineing in Nicholas Pearsons hands - - - - - - - -	70	0	0
and in Nodders hands - - - - - -	100	0	0
and in Jervase Coopers hands - - - -	30	0	0
and with money received of Nodder for interest of 100 li. - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
and with money received of Nicholas Pearson for interest of 70 li. - - - - - -	4	4	0
and with money receiued of Jervase Cooper for interest of 30 li. - - - - - - -	1	16	0
and with money receiued of Abell Yates - -	0	5	0
The Summe of the Charge is-	366	10	1
Whereof disbursed.			
To the post for a letter sent up to Mr. Moseley about the Almes house - - - - - -	0	0	3
To Robert Machon and his wife for dressing the Lady Bridge - - - - - - -	0	3	2
To Edward Berry for his cote - - - - -	1	0	0
To Robert Howsley and Thomas Cooke for the use of the poore - - - - - - -	10	4	0
more to them for the like use - - - - -	5	16	0
To Symon Stones for mending the Churchyates - - - - - - - - - -	0	4	2
Given to Roberte Rawson and Edward Mirfin woodwards for settinge out 2 trees for the Almes house - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
Spent on them at Ralph Wildsmiths - -	0	3	0
For a quart of sack at the receipt of the 100 li. at Mr. Moseleys house - - - - - -	0	2	0
For a pint of sack to Mr. Halton and spent at Francis Barlowes house with Mr. Halton and Mr. Ratcliffe when wee spoke to them about trees for the Alms house[1] - - - - -	0	5	4
[P. 173.] To Shawres for stakes and mending the hedge of the workehouse crofte - -	0	2	0
For a lock for the Townhead pound - -	0	0	6
For the Jurours verdict and dinners - - -	0	13	6

[1] Probably Imanuel Halton. of Wingfield, eldest son of Miles Halton. He was sometime of Gray's Inn, and afterwards employed as auditor to Henry, Duke of Norfolk. Mr. Ratclifte was Francis Ratcliffe, of Sheffield Manor, principal agent of the Earl of Arundel, aged 44, 10th April, 1666. Buried in chancel of Sheffield parish church, 16th July, 1685.

	li.	s.	d.
for bordes and nayles and mending the Barker poole	0	5	0
To Mr. Mountney for Councell about the Townes buisiness	0	10	0
for rent for the workehouse and crofte	0	10	0
To Two Trumpetters at the proclaiming of the lord protector[1]	0	10	0
To Edward Berry [waite] and 4 other musitians at that time	1	0	0
To the ringers xs. paid at Thomas Rawsons 5s. and spent at Francis Barlowes house 24s. at that time	1	19	0
for drinck at seuerall times to those who were imployed in worke about the Almes house	0	2	6
for six baskettes for carrying earth	0	1	0
To Shawres and Ronckesley ouer and aboue their bargeins about the Almes house	0	5	0
To Shawres, Heathcote, Firth and Atkinson for getting stones and carrying away rubbish severall dayes	5	4	3
for preparing a way to tumble stones for the Almeshouse	0	0	9
To Shawres for tumbling and carrying stones	0	10	6
To Thomas Shawres free mason and his partners in parte of their bargeine about walling the Almeshouse at vjs. per roode	6	0	0
for a rope to drawe stones out of the Dungeon[2]	0	1	10
To George Thompson for leading stones from Wadsley more to the Lady Bridge	4	6	0
To Thomas Newton for felling two trees and his labour in setting them out xs. parte whereof hee is to bee accomptable in the breaking of them up	0	10	0
remeineing in John Nodders hands	100	0	0
in Nicholas Pearsons hands	70	0	0
in Jervase Coopers hands	30	0	0
To the Bellman	0	2	0
The Collectours fee	0	2	6
for the dinners of those that were present at the taking of this accompt	0	10	0

[1] Oliver Cromwell became Protector of the Commonwealth 16th Dec., 1653.—The town seems to have been warmly attached to the Protector's cause.

[2] The dungeon of the now destroyed castle. The ruins formed a convenient quarry of dressed stone for the town. The almshouse that was built at this time stood at the south-west corner of the Lady's Bridge The ruins of the castle were adjacent, and the stones were "tumbled" from the old work to the new.

	li.	s.	d.
for makeing the Rentroll - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
Mr. Whittaker rent abated by order - -	4	10	0
for writing this Accompt - - - - -	0	2	6
Given to William Lodge by consent - -	0	3	0
for entering Thomas Cooke and Roberte Howsley, Joshua Shemeld and James Staniforths accompts - - - - - - -	0	4	0
The Summe disbursed - -	246	15	9

Arrereages to bee respited

Richard Benson 13s. Charles Bower 12s. 6d. William Yates 1s. 6d. William Yates 5s. [P. 174.] John Wigfall 2 li. 19s. 6d. Thomas Wilson 18s. 9d. John Swinden 2 li. 10s. Arthur Stevin 4 li. 14s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 17s. Widow Belfeld 19s. 2d. Richard Allen 7s. 6d. Nicholas Stewardson 1s. Widow Steven 10s. Widow Wilson 12 li. 16s. 10d. Robert Spencer 1 li. 9s. Robert Spencer 1 li. 13s. William Rodger of Ileywight 4 li. Thomas Midleton 14s. George Jackson 11 li. James Peniston 15s. Nicholas Atkinson 2 li. 5s. James Barnes 1 li. George Brewell 2 li. 16s. Nicholas Birley 1 li. 12s. John Handby 3 li. Edmund Lethwood 3 li. Thomas Robertes 3s. George Stevin 6d. abated James Rockley which is not yet due 3d.

	li.	s.	d.
The Summe arreareages -	62	14	0
The summe disbursed and arreare -	309	9	9
So resteth [1] in Joshua Shemeld hands [1] appointed the next Collectour - - - -	57	0	4

Bee it remembred that on the 9th day of September 1658 it was agreed and ordered by the Burgesses of the Towne of Sheffeld That the parcel of ground lying and being before the nowe dwelling house of George Flint and at the south end of John Stones house in Balme greene shall not bee lett to any person whatsoever nor be made use of at any time herafter for any purpose whatsoever but that the same henceforth shall continue wast as formerly.

Be it remembred that the 18th day of June, 1664, att the passing the accompts of Richard Woodreve and Robert Boughton, overseers for the poore of Sheffield for the yeare 1663, it was agreed and ordered that the said overseers and their successors and churchwardens shall be secured and saved harmeless from Godfrey Bright and all others touching goods received from Thomas Stacie, to keep a child begotten by him, to which goods Godfrey Bright claims a propriety, and this to be done att the Townes charge.

[1] The words between the figures are written over "which was delivered to William Savage," which is crossed out.

[P. 175.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Joshua Shemeld Collectour there taken the eight day of September 1659 for the rents and revenues belonging to the said Burgery for two whole yeares ending at Martinmas 1658.

the Charge	li.	s.	d.
First hee chargeth himselfe with money received at the last reckoning	57	0	4
and with 2 yeares rent	62	13	0
and with arrereages	49	9	9
and with money remeineing in Nicholas Pearsons hands	70	0	0
and in Nodders hands	100	0	0
and in Jervase Coopers hands	30	0	0
and with money received of John Nodder for interest of 100 li. in 2 yeares	12	0	0
and of Nicholas Pearson for interest	8	8	0
of Jervase Cooper for interest	3	8	0
and with Twenty poundes borrowed of John Crooke	20	0	0
more borrowed of him	20	0	0
of Symon Stones in Hammer Iron	0	1	6
and with money received of Jonas Youle in parte of Arreares	4	3	6
remeineing in Jonas Youle's handes	10	0	0
	447	4	1
Wherof disbursed			
To the use of the Poore	12	0	0
To the waytes for 2 yeares wages	3	0	0
To John Parker and others for makeing sawepitts	0	4	6
To Showres, Ronckesley and others for getting stones, building, and worke done by them at the Almeshouse[1]	83	4	9
To Richard Clayton for wood and makeing a newe style at the Church Yeard	0	12	0
To Thomas Newton for breakeing upp the trees and woodworke done by him at the Almeshouse	11	10	2
To Malin Sorsby men to drincke	0	1	6

[1] The building operations indicated in this and other entries about this time relating to the almshouse, tell of a reconstruction of the old building near the Lady's bridge, formerly the chapel of our Lady. The Lord of the Manor helped the work by gifts of timber and other material, and the burgesses paid for the labour. There were four habitations for four poor widows. The building was removed when the bridge was widened, about 1767.

To James Lee for writing two Rentrolls and a deede made from John Crooke to the Townes men	0	7	0
To George Thompson for leading stones	4	15	6
To Symon Stones for mending a locke	0	1	5
To Robert Machon and others for cleansing the bridge	0	3	8
For making Two Hudds[1] and materialls therto	0	2	6
To Dyson wife for carrying water and sand; and for carrying coles and gathering horse doung	1	2	1
For a spade	0	1	1
For rent for the schoole house and workehouse and crofte for 2 yeares	1	2	0
[P. 176.] To Malin Sorsby and others for leading wood and poles	1	11	0
for lattes	1	17	2
for lyme	12	12	3
for baskettes	0	2	0
To Symon Stones for Iron, lead and cramping under the Bridge and other thinges done by him	3	11	8½
for leading sand and morter earth	1	17	4
To Robert Howsley for leading stones	0	9	6
For wyne which was sent when the Townesmen went to visitt the Lord of Arrundell[2]	1	1	0
For nayles, drincke, treases, and other thinges about the almes house	5	7	5½
For lead	0	16	7½
To Katherin Wigfall by consent	0	10	0
for bringing slate and for two load of poles	3	16	7
for getting rigging and mosse	1	3	4
for Iron and for making Londirons[3] bands and hookes	1	18	3
for slateing the house	5	4	4
To John Crooke which was lent by him	20	0	0
to him for bordes	4	10	0
for pavers and leading them	1	8	2
for paueing dressing and laying harthstones and huddes	2	7	6
for harthstones	0	13	0

[1] "Hud" is now used in the Sheffield dialect for the hob of a fire-place, or shelf on which the kettle stands.

[2] Thomas Howard, Earl of Arundel, restored to the Dukedom of Norfolk by Act of Parliament, 13 Charles II., succeeded his father 17th April, 1652, died 13th December, 1677.

[3] See note 1, page 152 *ante*.

	li.	s.	d.
To Lawrence Atkinson by consent - - -	0	13	4
to Robert Bullus for 17 yards of studds - -	0	5	4
To Malin Sorsby for tresles, plancks and other things - - - - - - - - -	0	19	0
for Glazeing the windowes - - - -	2	3	9
for latting and shooteing[1] the roomes - -	1	11	1
for measureing the house - - - - -	0	4	6
remeineing in Nodders hands - - - -	100	0	0
remaining in Nicholas Pearsons hands - -	50	0	0
remaining in Mr. Coopers hands - - -	20	0	0
remaining in Jonas Youle's hands - - -	9	0	0
To the Belman - - - - - - -	0	4	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	5	0
for the dinners of those that were present at the takeing of this accompt - - - -	0	10	0
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
for writing this Accompt - - - - -	0	5	0
Abated for the workehouse and crofte - -	7	10	0
for makeing six bondes - - - - -	0	3	0
paid to Edward Sanderson in parte of 20 li. borrowed of John Crooke - - - -	10	0	0
The summe disbursed and abated -	[2]394	18	0½
more [3] (to William Cooke) for cognizances -	2	3	2

Arrereages to bee respited

William Yates 6s. 6d. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 1s. 3d. John Swinden 2 li. 14s. Arthur Stevin 5 li. 2s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 1 li. 4s. 4d. Widow Belfeld 1 li. 2s. 6d. [P. 177.] John Tompson 5s. Richard Allen 8s. 6d. Christofer Stewardson 2s. Nicholas Stewardson 2s. Widdow Steven 10s. Robert Spencer 1 li. 9s. Robert Spencer 1 li. 13s. John Stones 2s. 6d. William Rodger 3 li. Thomas Midleton 16s. John Haley 1 li. 5s. George Jackson 11 li. 16s. James Peniston 9s. Nicholas Atkinson 2 li. 10s. James Barnes 1 li. 13s. Nicholas Birley 16s. John Handby 3 li. Edmund Lethwood 2 li. 10s. George Flint 1 li. 6s. Mary Hewitt 2s. Thomas Robertes 5s. George Stevin 6d. Edward Brewell 1s. James Rockley 1s.

The summe Arrereages -	48	15	7
The summe disbursed and arreare - -	445	16	9½
So remeines - - - - -	1	7	4

which was delivered to Malin Sorsby next Collector.

[1] In old houses the laths were "shot" into a slot or groove, so that they would not slip out. In the Sheffield dialect "shoot" is "to weld a piece of iron to the blade of a table-knife."—Addy's *Sheffield Glossary*.

[2] Wrongly cast. [3] The words in brackets are crossed out.

The Burgerie of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Malin Sorsbie Collector there taken the 14th daie of Aprill 1660 for the rents and revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ending at Martinmas last.

the Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First hee chargeth himselfe with money received at the last reckoning - - - -	1	7	4
And with a yeares rent - - - - -	26	16	9
And with arrereages (whereof received of Edmund Lethwood ij li. x s., of Widdow Topcliffe v s. vj d., of John Shore for Richard Allen viij s. vj d. of James Hewit ij s., of Robert Staniland ix s. of James Peniston iij s., and of George Flint xviij s. - - -	47	7	1
And with interest of 100 li. in John Nodder's hand - - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
And with interest of 50 li. in Nicholas Pearson's hand - - - - - - - -	3	0	0
And with interest of 20 li. in Jervase Cooper hand - - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with money received of Daniell Meares in part of a bond - - - - - - -	1	0	0
And with money received for 19 coards of wood in the workehouse crofte - - - -	6	19	4
[P. 178.] And with money received of Richard Bayze towards the walling betwixt the workhouse crofte and his close - - - -	0	12	0
And with interest of 20 li. in Thomas Lemmans hands - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
The summe of the charge is - -	95	10	6
Wherof disbursed			
To Thomas Newton that was in Arreare in Joshua Shemeld year - - - - - -	1	12	0
to Nicholas Heathcote for a harthstone - -	0	1	6
to William Hobson for hewing harthstones paueing two roomes and makeing huds which was also left unpaid by the last Collector - -	0	6	4
To Robert Kirkbie wife for beare to Hobson -	0	2	6
To William Ronchesley and Shores (when they laid on the pinion tables)[1] in ale - - -	0	0	4
To Shores lad for a dayes worke and to Eneley wife for coales - - - - - - -	0	1	1
To John Tollitt for a crest[2] - - - - -	0	14	0

[1] Probably tables with hinges fixed against a wall, to let down.

[2] Crest = a helmet.

	li.	s.	d.
Spent in going to demand the crests belonging to the Towne - - - - - - - -	0	1	8
Paid at the last Collector's feast - - - -	0	10	0
To James Lee for the Rentroll - - - - -	0	1	6
To Bowman and his partner for a q'er wages -	0	10	0
for clensing the bridge - - - - - - -	0	1	8
To the Townes waites - - - - - - -	0	15	0
To Robert Marsh for summoning Tennants to the Court - - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
Payd for makeing doores, for bords, other wood, rayles and worke done about the Almeshouse as appeares by particulers shewed at the takeing of this Accompt - - - - -	6	9	10
Payd for stubbing and riveing of 19 coardes of wood, for filling holes, for getting stone, for walling the workehouse crofte and for worke done about the workehouse - - - - -	14	14	1
Paid for getting and leading of stones and for worke done about building the little house at Lady Bridge end - - - - - - - -	3	0	6
Paid for timber, workmanshipp, slate latts, nayles, and other things about the Church yates and the house over the same[1] - -	8	7	10
The summe of the charge is -	37	10	10

Arrereages to bee respited

John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 3s. 9d. John Swinden 2 li. 16s. Arthur Stevin 5 li. 6s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 18s. 10d. Widow Belfeld 1 li. 4s. 2d. John Tompson 3s. Christopher Stewardson 2s. Nicholas Stewardson 2s. [P. 179.] Widdowe Stevin 10s. Robert Spencer 3 li. 2s. John Stones 2s. 6d. William Doughty 14s. 8d. William Rodger 3 li. Thomas Midleton 7s. John Halley 1 li. 5s. George Jackson 12 li. 4s. John Webster 1 li. James Peniston 6s. Nicholas Atkinson 2 li. 10s. James Barnes 2 li. Nicholas Birley 1 li. 12s. John Handbie 3 li. 6s. 8d. Anne Stevin 5 li. 5s. 4d. Thomas Robertes 5s. George Stevin 6d. Edward Brewell 1s. James Rockley 1s.

	li.	s.	d.
The Summe Arrereages -	47	15	1
Also one yeares rent for Youles house which was [2] formerly payd and now remitted by consent - - - - - - - - -	2	13	4
Also disbursed for the dinners of those that tooke this Accompt - - - - - -	0	10	0

[1] See Glasby's *Old Churchyards*, p. 11.

[2] Written over "wrongfully," crossed out.

	li.	s.	d.
for writing this and John Hall accompt - -	0	5	0
To the Bellman for his paines - - - -	0	2	0
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
To Mr. Simpson for suite against Barber and Atkinson in the year 1656 by consent - -	2	8	6
more disbursed and remitted -	6	2	4
The summe disbursed, arreare and remitted	91	8	3
So remeines with Nicholas Lockwood, next collector - - - - - - - -	4	2	3

November the 26th, 1660.

Memorandum. That the day and year above written it was agreed by us whose names are subscribed, and by several other persons then present, that Mr. James Fisher shall have and enjoy such roomes of the workhouse as were formerly in thoccupation of Mr. Whittaker, under the yearly rent of three poundes, at Pentecost, and Martinmas, therefore to be paid.[1]

(Signed), John Dale.

Ed. Sanderson.	Ed. Barlow.
John Crooke.	Tho. Britland.
Willm. Creswicke.	Josh. Shemeld.
John Wadsworth.	Fra. Barlow.
Richard Hayes.	Joseph Handly.
Wm. Cooke.	James Lee.[2]

[P. 180.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.— The Accompt of Nicholas Lockwood Collectour there taken the 24th of Aprill 1661 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ending at Martinmas last.

His Charge	li.	s.	d.
First hee chargeth himselfe with money received at the last reckoning - - - -	4	2	3
and with arrereages as appeareth at the foote the last accompt - - - - - - -	41	13	1

[1] James Fisher was vicar of Sheffield in 1660, but was ejected in 1662. He is said by Calamy to have died at Hatfield, January 1666. He had two sons, John, a surgeon, d. Feb. 1685-6 and Joseph. "Mr. Fisher" is assessed for four hearths in the tax of 1665.

[2] In the Hearth tax of 1665, Ed. Sanderson is assessed for three hearths; William Creswick for four; William Cocke, five; Tho. Bretlands, four; Ed. Barlow, four; Francis Barlow, eleven; Joseph Shemeld, five; Joseph Handley, six. In the poll tax of 1692, John Dale and wife are charged 8s.; Mr. Crooke and wife, 8s., four children and two servants, £1 4s.

	li.	s.	d.
and with a yeares rent - - - - - -	28	3	8
and with interest of 100 li. in John Nodders handes - - - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
and with interest of 50 li. in Nicholas Pearsons handes - - - - - - - - - -	3	0	0
And with money received of Thomas Rawson for a room in the Workhouse - - -	0	6	8
And with money received for slate and stone of old church gates - - - - - - -	0	1	8
and with interest of 20 li. in Thomas Lemmans handes - - - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
and with money received of Edmund Lethwood in parte of his bond - - - - - -	1	0	0
and with money received of William Rodgers in parte of his bond - - - - - -	2	0	0
and with money received of Robert Spencers bond - - - - - - - - - -	2	0	0
and with money received in parte of Jonas Youle bond - - - - - - - - -	1	0	0
the Summe of the Charge is -	90	13	4
Wherof disbursed			
To John Dale for the Jury dinner and their verdict for the last year - - - - .	0	13	6
To George Bower for a yeares pention[1] - -	1	0	0
Spent by the Townesmen when the King was proclaimed[2] - - - - - - - -	8	13	4
To the waytes for a yeares wages - - -	3	0	0
For a paire of brasse scales for the Townes use -	0	2	8
for writeing a Rentroll - - - - - -	0	1	6
for rent for the workehouse and crofte for Two yeares - - - - - - - - - - -	1	0	0
for mending Jacksons chimney and house -	0	18	0
for cleansing the Lady bridge and Church yates	0	1	1
for a casement and glasse for Storey house -	0	4	8
to George Wild for leading 3 Loades of Morter earth - - - - - - - - - - -	0	2	3
To John Crooke which the collectors of the Townes rent borrowed of him - - - -	10	0	0
For mending the windowes slate and lead at the Workehouse as appears by particulars -	1	11	3

[1] Written over "stypend," crossed out.

[2] Charles II. proclaimed in London, 8th May, 1660. Sheffield was not unaffected by the delirium of the moment if we may judge by the expenditure on this occasion, and compare it with the modest sum of 5s., laid out in 1625, when Charles I. was proclaimed. See p. 115 *ante*.

	li.	s.	d.
To William Cooke which should have beene paid the last year for interest of xx li. in Thomas Lemmans handes - - - -	1	4	0
For wood and other materials about the house at Lady bridge end - - - - -	0	8	7
For a locke for the Almeshouse doore - -	0	0	4
To William Cooke which is for interest received of Thomas Lemmans - - - -	1	4	0
For takeing downe the cadge[1] - - - -	0	3	0
For the Jury dinners and their verdict for this present year - - - - - - -	0	12	6
For setting up the old church yates and for workmanshipp, wood and other materialls about the same and the newe church yates -	4	11	10
For getting stone and for wood for the Barker poole, and for walling and cleansing the same[2]	9	4	3
[P. 181.] For the dinners of those that tooke this accompt - - - - - - -	0	10	0
for writeing this accompt - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bellman for his paines - - - -	0	2	0
To the Beadle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
The collector's fee - . - - - - -	0	2	6
The summe disbursed - -	45	14	9

Arrereages to bee respited.

John Wigtall 3s. 6d. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 6s. 3d. John Swinden 2 li. 18s. Arthur Stevin 5 li. 6s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 18s. 10d. Widdow Belfeld 1 li. 4s. 2d. John Tompson 3s. Christofer Stewardson 2s. Nicholas Stewardson 2s. Widdow Stevin 10s. Thomas Midleton 4s. 10d. John Halley 1 li. 5s. George Jackson 12 li. 12s. Nicholas Atkinson 2 li. 10s. James Barnes 1 li. 13s. 4d. Nicholas Birley 1 li. 12s. John Handby 3 li. Anne Stevin 5s. 4d. Thomas Roberts 5s. George Stevin 8d. Edward Brewell 1s. James Rockley 1s.

	li.	s.	d.
summe arrereages - -	39	16	11
The summe disbursed and arreare	85	1	8
So remeines which was delivered to Francis Barlowe next collector - - - - -	5	11	8

[P. 182.] The Burgery of the Town of Sheffeild.—The Accompt of Francis Barlowe[3] Collectour there taken the

[1] See *ante*, p. 98.

[2] It must have been used either for bathing or washing clothes.

[3] Francis Barlow, son of Humphrey and Dorothy Barlow, a Nonconformist and partner with Wm. Simpson and Dennis Heyford, in the iron works. He died 18th March, 1690, without issue, settling a large pro-

17th of Aprill 1662 for the Rents and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ending at Martinmas last.

His Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First hee chargeth himselfe with money received at the last reckoning - - - -	5	11	8
and with arrereages as appeareth at the foote of the last accompt - - - - -	38	16	11
and with a yeares rent - - - - -	28	3	8
and for wood formerly belonging to Barker poole	0	8	0
for the old pavers belonging to the Cage - -	0	2	0
and with money received of Robert Spencer in parte of his bond - - - - -	1	0	0
and with money received of Edmund Lethwood in parte of his bond - - - - -	2	0	0
and with money received of Nicholas Pearson for interest of 20 li. in his handes - - -	1	4	0
and with interest of 20 li. in Thomas Lemmans handes - - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
and with money received of Daniell Meares in parte of Jonas Youles bond - - - -	1	0	0
and with interest of 20 li. in Jervase Cooper hand - - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
and with interest of 30 li. in Robert Breilsforth handes - - - - - - - - -	1	16	0
[Total] -	82	10	3
and with interest of 100 li. in John Nodders handes - - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
Wherof disbursed			
To George Bower for a quarter pension - -	0	5	0
To the waites for a quarter wages - - -	0	15	0
To George Stones for mending the churchyates -	0	0	4
To George Bower for a quarters pension - -	0	5	0
To the Buttler at the Mannour - - -	0	2	6
To James Lee for writeing the Rentroll - -	0	1	6
To Edward Wainwright for dressing the veale -	0	0	8
To William Greene, for a mutton - - -	0	14	0
To Robt. Shawe for the veale and for carrying it	1	10	4
For 12 gallons and an halfe of wyne and a Rundlett - - - - - - - -	1	15	10
To the Church Collectors for cheife rent -	0	10	0

perty on his nephew, Thomas Barlow, from whom descended Cecilia Baroness Wensleydale. See *Sheffield Independent*, 27th March, 1879, and Gatty's "Hunter's Hallamshire," pp. 321-2. He was assessed at eleven hearths, 1665.

	li.	s.	d.
To fower Shores for drinckings for them 4 dayes	0	5	4
To Richard Meales for 22 li. of lead	0	3	0
To Shores for 4 men working 5 dayes at the Bridge	1	10	0
given them to drincke	0	0	6
To Symon Stones for 17 Crampes	0	5	8
To Robert Ingall for carrying the rundlett of wyne to the mannor	0	0	4
For dressing the bridge	0	0	4
To Shores for 3 dayes drinking for 4 men, when they wrought at Isley wight[1] bridge	0	4	0
drinckings for 8 labourers	0	1	0
To the waytes for a quarter wages	0	15	0
[P. 183.] For 4 mens wages for 3 days. 18d. per day	0	18	0
paid 8 labourers for 2 dayes worke	0	5	4
paid for 2 loade of lyme for topping Barker poole wall	0	2	6
To George Ludlam for leading the top stones	0	6	6
paid for 4 loade of sand 6d.	0	0	6
paid Ronckesley for topping the wall and drincke	1	1	6
To the waites for halfe of a yeares wages	1	10	0
To George Bower for a quarter pension	0	5	0
To Thomas Newton for mending the pinfould and a Rayle	0	2	0
for dressing the bridge	0	0	4
To the overseeres of the poore being Nodders interest	6	0	0
to Shores for mending a hole in the bridge	0	4	0
paid for the Jurours dinners	0	10	0
for their verdict	0	3	6
to Mr. Mountney for councell[2]	0	10	0
To Symon Stones for mending the Church yates	0	1	6
for dressing the bridge	0	0	4
to the Overseers of the poore being the interest of Anne Shemeld money	1	4	0
for the dinners of those that tooke this Accompt	0	10	0
for writeing this accompt	0	2	6
To the Belman for his paines	0	2	0

[1] Popular interpretation has made this curious name into "Isle of Wight." Compare Isley Walton, near Ashby-de-la-Zouch. Tennant's brewery now stands on this site.

[2] Probably Richard Mounteney, of Rotherham, barrister-at-law; buried there 12th Dec., 1669.

	li.	s.	d.
to the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
The summe disbursed - -	23	17	4

Arrerrages to be respited.

John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 6s. 3d. John Swinden 3 li. Arthur Stevin 5 li. 10s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 1s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe, 10s. 10d. Widow Belfeld 1 li. 5s. 10d. John Tompson 8s. Christofer Stewardson 2s. Nicholas Stewardson 2s. Widow Stevin 10s. Thomas Midleton 3s. 10d. John Halley 1 li. 5s. George Jackson 13 li. Nicholas Atkinson 2 li. 12s. 6d. James Barnes 1 li. 13s. 4d. Nicholas Birley 1 li. 12s. John Handby 3 li. Anne Stevin 5s. 4d. Workehouse crofte 1 li. John Capper 6s. 8d. Thomas Roberts 6s. [P. 184.] George Stevin 6s. 8d. Edward Brewell 1s. James Rockley 1s. 6d.

The summe arrereages - -	41	10	11
The summe disbursed and arrereages -	65	8	3
So remeines which was delivered to Robert Howsley next Collector - - - -	23	2	0
And with a yeares Rent of Mr. Fisher for the workehouse due the last year - - -	3	0	0
So the summe paid to Robert Howsley is -	26	2	0

The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffeld.—The Accompt of Robert Howsley[1] Junior Collectour there taken the 4th of June 1663 for the Rentes and Revenues belonging to the said Burgery for one whole year ending at Martinmas last.

His Charge	li.	s.	d.
First hee chargeth himselfe with money received at the last Reckoning - - - -	26	2	0
and with arrereages as appeareth at the foote of the last accompt - - - - -	41	10	11
and with a yeares Rent - - - - -	30	17	0
and with money received of Edmund Lethwood in part of his bond - - - - -	1	0	0
and with money received of John Nodder for interest of 100 li. - - - - - -	6	0	0
and with money received of John Crooke being money then Remeineing in his hand of rentes received for the poore landes - - -	77	19	8

[1] Robt. Housley, one hearth, 1665.

	li.	s.	d.
of widdowe Hill for a steele formerly used to the church yeard - - - - - - -	0	2	0
of Nicholas Pearson for interest of xx li. - -	1	4	0
of Thomas Lemmans for the like - - -	1	4	0
of Jervase Cooper for the like - - - -	1	4	0
of John Clayton in parte of his bond - -	1	0	0
of Robert Breilsforth for interest of xxx li. -	1	16	0
The summe of the Charge is	189	19	7
Wherof disbursed			
To Thomas Newton for his Remeinder of worke at the Almeshouse - - - -	0	5	0
to Hollinbrigge for paueing at Lady bridge -	0	2	6
To Shores for mending the Lady Bridge - -	2	15	2
To Symon Stones for 25 cramps, 4 wedges and 3 stone and an halfe of Lubeck Iron -	0	10	0
To Richard Keates for lead for the bridge -	0	5	0
To Francis Barlowe for 12 gallons of whyte wyne sent to Mr. Howard and for carriage -	2	0	4
[P. 185.] To Simon Stones for mending the churchyates - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
to Hollinbridge for mending the churchwall -	0	1	3
To Mr. Wadsworth and Thomas Wood for the poore - - - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
Given to Widdowe Atkinson by consent - -	0	4	0
To the Waytes of the Towne for their stypend -	2	7	6
For the charges of William Cooke, James Lee, and Zachary Wilson in going to Barron Thorpe.[1] and his fee about the Towne's business - - - - - - - -	3	13	5
To James Lee, for his paines fower dayes for drawing queries and coppying of Barron Thorpe's opinion - - - - - - -	0	10	0
To Wigfall for mosse for the Almeshouse - -	0	3	4
To Brodebent for mosseing the Almeshouse -	0	6	6
To Widdow Hoyland for clensing Lady bridge -	0	0	4
To Joseph Taylor for a bord for the church yates	0	0	10
To John Crooke for rent for the workhouse crofte - - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
for the Juryes dynner and for their verdict -	0	12	6
Remeineing in Thomas Skargell hands - -	100	0	0
To Mr. Wadsworth and Thomas Wood towards putting forth Bocking daughter to bee an apprentice xxiiijs., being interest for Anne Shemeld money - - - - - - -	1	4	0

[1] Francis Thorpe, a Baron of the Exchequer under the Commonwealth, who was not reappointed at the Restoration. It would seem from this entry that he returned to practice as a barrister.

	li.	s.	d.
for the dinners of those that tooke this Accompt -	0	10	0
for writeing this Accompt - - - -	0	2	6
To the Belman for his paynes - - - -	0	2	0
To the Bedle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - -	0	2	6
The Summe disbursed -	122	10	8

Arrereages to bee respited

John Wigfall 9 li. os. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 6s. 3d. John Swinden 3 li. 2s. Arthur Stevin 5 li. 14s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 1s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 10s. 10d. Widow Belfeld 1 li. 7s. 6d. John Tomson 8s. Christopher Stewardson 2s. Nicholas Stewardson 2s. Widdow Stevin 10s. John Hall 3 li. 15s. George Jackson 13 li. 8s. Richard Frost 3s. James Barnes 2 li. Joseph Walton 16s. John Handby 3 li. 6s. 8d. Anne Stevin 5s. 4d. Francis Brownell 1s. John Shore 1s. [P. 186.] Thomas Robertes 7s. George Stevin 1s. 6d. Edward Brewell 8s. Henry Staniforth 1s. James Rockley 2s. Robert Webster 6d.

	li.	s.	d.
The Summe Arreare is -	41	2	11
Also vj. s. viij d. which was due from John Capper remitted - - - - - - -	0	6	8
The summe disbursed and Arreare - - -	164	0	3
So the summe remeineing is - - - -	25	19	4

It was also then agreed that every collector shall continue in his office Two yeares together, and shall make his yearly accompt at or before the end of the weeke, next following Easter weeke.

The Burgerie of the Towne of Sheffeild.—The Accompt of Robert Howsley Junior Collector there taken 21st day of May 1664 for the Rents and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year ending att Martinmas last.

His Charge.	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himself with moneys remaining in his hand att passing of his last Accompt - - - - - - -	25	19	4
And with Arrearages of rent as upon the foote of his last Accompt - - - - - -	41	2	11
And with a yeares rent - - - - - -	30	17	0
Received from the Collectours of the poore -	2	12	10
Of John Nodder for interrest of 100 li. - -	6	0	0
Of Nicholas Pearson for Interrest of 20 li. -	1	4	0
Of Gervase Cooper for Interrest of 20 li. - -	1	4	0
Of Robert Breilsforth for Interest of 30 li. -	1	16	0

	li.	s.	d.
Of Thomas Skargell for Interrest of 100 li. -	6	0	0
Of Thomas Lemmons for Interrest of 20 li. -	1	4	0
Of Daniell Meares upon bond - - - -	1	0	0
Of Edmund Lethwood upon bond - - -	1	0	0
The Totall of the Charge of this Accompt is -	120	0	1

[P. 187.] The Accomptants Discharge.

Inprimis paid to Symon Stones for mending the Churchgates - - - - - - -	0	2	7
to James Lee for writeing the Juries Inquirie -	1	0	0
to Hollinbrigg for paveinge in the Markett place	0	3	0
To Shores for makeinge the Bridge att Barker poole, 4s., for a wainload of stones 6s., for leading them, 2s. 6d., for Ale 6d., and more 3d.; in all - - - - - - - -	0	13	3
To Hollinbrigg for removeing the Stocks 6d. and for paveing and setting them againe 20d.	0	2	2
More to him for paveing the Cawsey att Barker poole - - - - - - - - -	0	4	9
To Thomas Skargell for 13 gallons of wyne which was sent to my Lord for a present 39s. and for carriage 4d. - - - - - -	1	19	4
To Shores for Sawdering the Ladyes Bridge 2s. and for leading away gravell from the Markett place 4s. - - - - - - - -	0	6	0
To John Moore for goeing Errands about the Townes business - - - - - - -	0	14	0
To James Lee for writeing over the Rentall -	0	2	0
To Richard Meales for 5 li. of lead - - -	0	0	10
To John Barker for bringing 2 buckes to the towne - - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
To Thomas Skargell for charges att the venison feast[1] - - - - - - - - -	0	8	10
To George Broadbent money lent out upon bond	10	0	0
To John Bright for the Workehouse Crofte -	0	10	0
To the whaites for their yeares wages - -	2	0	0
To the Collectors for the poore - - - -	6	0	0

[1] The Rev. Dr. Gatty records ("Sheffield Past and Present," p. 77) that Earl Gilbert once every year allowed a gracious holiday to the apron men, or smiths. A number of bucks were turned into a meadow near the town and the men were sent into it to kill and carry away as many as they could with their hands, and would sometimes slaughter about twenty, on which they feasted, and had money given them for wine. Under the more humane management of the Earl of Arundel the brutal holiday was abolished, but two bucks were given for the venison feast. This feast was probably an early form of the now well-known Cutlers' Feast; but we here see the Burgery participating in it.

	li.	s.	d.
Paid for 3 days leadinge stones for paveinge in the Markett place and about ye Barker poole	0	12	0
for Juries Dynners - - - - - - -	0	10	0
To James Lee for writeinge for the Jurie - -	0	2	6
To Joseph Brooke wife and Hoyland wife for dressing the Churchyates and the Ladyes bridge - - - - - - - - -	0	6	0
To John Jeffcocke[1] - - - - - - -	3	0	0
To the Collectours for the poore - - -	1	4	0
To Simon Stones for mending the Churchyates	0	0	8
To John Woots for 2 load of stone from Brincliffe Edge 5s. and 2 loades of Stone from Crookes more 2s. and for fetchinge a paveing stone from Barker poole to Ladys Bridge 4d.	0	7	4
To John Shore[2] for making the staires att Ladyes bridge - - - - - - -	0	5	4
To Robert Shore for 4 dayes worke - - -	0	5	4
To Houmfrey Shore for 4 dayes worke - -	0	5	4
To John Shore for 2 wain loads of stones for the aforesaid staires - - - - - - -	0	8	0
To him more for 3 wain loads - - - -	0	2	2
for their drinckings for 4 days - - - -	0	2	8
more to them for makeing a wall att Barker poole - - - - - - - - - -	0	1	6
paid for a load of lyme - - - - - -	0	1	4
paid to Anthony Fairest for 3 dayes worke about the stayres att the Lady Bridge - -	0	2	6
[P. 188.] Paid for leadeing mortar, wall stone, sand and laying lyme to steepe - - -	0	1	6
Paid John Woots for leading stone 3s. 4d., and for a stoope to sett at the Barker poole wall, 8d. - - - - - - - - - -	0	4	0
for the Dynners of those that tooke the Accompt	0	10	0
for writeing the Accompt - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bellman (for his paynes)[3] - - -	0	2	0
To the Beadle - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
Lent Thomas Skargell for which he is to give bond to the next Collectour - - - - -	30	0	0
The summe disbursed - -	63	3	11

[1] John Jeffcocke is assessed under Ecclesall for one smithy, and three shillings, among the names of cutlers and smithies and their hearths in the parish of Sheffield, for the half-year ending Michaelmas, 1670.

[2] John Shore, of Sheffield, originally of Dronfield, made his will 2 March, 1682; buried at Sheffield. See Shore pedigree, "Gatty's Hunter," p. 376. He was assessed at five hearths in the tax of 1665.

[3] The words in brackets are crossed out.

Arreares to bee respited.

Charles Bower 1s. 3d. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 6s. 3d. John Swinden 3 li. 4s. Arthur Stevin 5 li. 14s. 8d. Nicholas Topcliffe 1s. 8d. Nicholas Topcliffe 10s. 10d. Widdow Bellfeild 1 li. 7s. 6d. John Tompson 10s. 6d. Christofer Stewardson 2s. Nicholas Stewardson 2s. Widdow Stevin 10s. Susan Butler Junior 10s. John Halley 6 li. 5s. George Jackson 13 li. 16s. Richard Frost 6s. James Barnes 2 li. John Handby 3 li. 13s. 4d. Ann Stevin 5s. 4d. George Flynte 1s. 6d. Thomas Robertes 7s. George Stevin 2s. 6d. Edward Brewell 3s. James Rockley 2s. 6d.

	li.	s.	d.
The Summe Totall of the Arreares -	44	8	10
The Totall of the Charge of this Accompt as on the other page is - - - - -	120	0	1
and of Disbursements, 63 li. 3s. 11d., and of Arreares 44 li. 8s. 10d. - - - - -	107	12	9
Which being deducted from the abovesaid Charge there remaines over which was delivered to Thomas Jennings att passing of this Accompt, the summe of - - - -	12	7	4

[P. 189.] The Burgery of the town of Sheffeild.—The Accompt of Thomas Jenings Collector there taken the 21th of Aprill 1665 for the rents and revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare ending att Martinmas last.

The Accomptantes Charge	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with moneys received of Robert Howsley att the last reckoninge - - - - - - - -	12	7	4
And with Arreares as appears on the foote of the last Accompt - - - - - - -	44	8	10
And with a yeares rent - - - - - -	31	1	0
Alsoe with moneys received of John Crooke for William Rogers Debt - - - - - -	0	10	0
July 6th received of George Broadbent which he had upon bond - - - - - -	10	12	0
of John Nodder for interrest of 100 li. - -	6	0	0
of Robert Breilsford for a yeares interrest for 30 li. - - - - - - - - -	1	16	0
Received of John Clayton in part of Jonas Yooles debt - - - - - - - -	1	0	0
of Edmund Lethwood in part of his debt -	1	0	0
of Thomas Skargell for a yeares interrest for c li. -	6	0	0
of Jarvis Cooper for a yeares interrest of 20 li. -	1	4	0

	li.	s.	d.
of Thomas Lemons for interest of 20 li. for a yeare	1	4	0
received for halfe a yeares interrest for the 10 li. received of George Broadbent	0	6	0
Summe totall of the Charge	117	9	2
The Accomptants Discharge			
Inprimis Paid John Styring for Coppying over the Rentroll	0	2	6
paid him for coppying over John Crookes deed	0	2	6
paid the whaites for their wages	2	0	0
Paid to Thomas Britland, the church collector	0	10	0
to Andrew Bacon and John Lockwood [1] overseers of the poor	6	0	0
paid to them more	1	4	0
Charges of the accomptant and others goeing to wait upon Mr. Gill, at Thomas Skargells	0	2	4
Paid to labourers to wait [2] att the bridge to break the yce	0	3	0
[P. 190.] Paid Symon Stones for mending the Churchyates	0	2	0
paid John Hollingbrigg for paveing att the bridge	0	1	4
paid for the Juryes dynner for the Assembly Inquest	0	10	0
for writeing their verdict	0	2	6
paid for dressing the bridge and the churchyates	0	0	6
for dynners of those that tooke the Accompt	0	10	0
for writeing the Accompt	0	2	6
to the Bellman for his paines	0	2	0
to the Beadle	0	1	0
The Collectours fee	0	2	6
Summe of disbursements	11	18	8

Arreares to be respited

Charles Bower 3s. 9d. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 6s. 3d. John Swynden 3 li. 6s. Arthur Stevin 5 li. 18s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 1s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 10s. 10d. Widdow Belfeild 1 li. 5s. 10d. John Tompson 10s. 6d. Christopher Stewardson 2s. Nicholas Stewardson 2s. Widdow Stevin 12s. 6d. Edward Stevin 5s. Susan Butler 1 li. 10s. John Halley 8 li. 15s. George Jackson 14 li. 4s. James Savage 2s. James Barnes 2 li. 6s. 8d. Joseph Wal-

[1] Andrew Bacon, 3 hearths, and John Lockwood, four hearths, assessed in 1665.

[2] French *guetter*, "to watch, warde," &c.—*Cotgrave*.

ton 16s. Idem Joseph 2 li. 13s. John Handby 3 li. 13s. 4d. Ann Stevin 5s. 4d. Francis Brownell 1s. George Flynt 1s. 6d. Thomas Roberts 8s. George Stevin 7s. 6d. James Rockley 3s.

	li.	s.	d.
Summe of Arrears -	52	17	4
The Totall of the Charge is - - - -	117	9	2
The Totall of Disbursements, 11 li. 18s. 8d.; and of Arrears 52 li. 17s. 4d. - - -	64	16	0
which being deducted from the above said summe of 117 li. 9s. 2d. there remaines in the Accomptants hands to cleare the Accompt -	52	13	2

[P. 191.] Ordered at the meeteing the day and yeare last afore said That Thomas Jenings present Collectour shall call in the moneys in Nicholas Pearsons hands or take better security and in case the said Nicholas Pearson refuse to pay or give better securitie then to putt the bond in suite and what he disburseth about the same to be allowed him.

The Burgerie of the Towne of Sheffeild. The Accompt of Thomas Jeninges Collector there taken the 23th day of May 1666 for the Rents and Revenues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare endinge att Mattinmas last.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with moneys remaining in his hand att passing his last account - - - - - - - -	52	13	2
and with one whole yeares rent - - -	31	1	0
And with Arreares in the last Account - -	52	17	4
And with two yeares interrest for 20 li. received of Nicholas Pearson - - - - - -	2	8	0
and with a yeares interrest for 30 li. received of Robert Breilsforth - - - - - -	1	16	0
and with a yeares interrest for 130 li. received of Thomas Skargell - - - - - -	7	16	0
And with a yeares interrest of 20 li. received of Jarvis Cooper - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with interrest of 100 li. for a yeare received of John Nodder - - - - - - -	6	0	0
And with a yeares interrest of 20 li. received of Thomas Lemons - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with interrest for 36 li. for this last year -	1	16	0
Sum totall - - - - -	158	15	6

Discharge. Arreares to be respited.

Thomas Trickett 11s. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 6s. 3d. John Swinden 3 li. 8s. Arthur Stevin 6 li. 2s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 1s. 8d. Idem Nicholas

Topliffe 10s. 10d. Widdow Belfeild 1 li. 7s. 6d. John Tompson 15s. 6d. Christopher Stewardson 2s. Nicholas Stewardson 2s. Widdow Stevin 12s. 6d. Edward Stevin 10s. Isack Bate 1 li. William Rodgers 1 li. John Halley 11 li. 5s. George Jackson 14 li. 12s. James Barnes 2 li. Joseph Walton 16s. Idem Joseph Walton 2 li. 13s. [P 192.] John Hanby 3 li. 13s. 4d. Ann Stevin 5s. 4d. Francis Brownell 2s. George Flynt 3s. John Shawre 1s. Thomas Robertes 9s. George Stiven 12s 6d. Henery Staniforth 1s. James Rockley 3s. 6d. Robert Webster 6d.

The Sum totall of Arreare -	57	13	1
Disbursementes.			
For making a Rentall - - - - - -	0	2	6
To John Hawksley for wood and workmanshipp about the bridge broken by the flood - -	1	2	6
For drinck for the workmen - - - - -	0	1	1
to George Stones for Iron worke for the same -	0	1	6
To Symon Stones for mending the Church yates	0	3	0
to Shawres and two other workmen for mending the bridge and cramping the stones below and about it - - - - - - - -	1	10	0
for drinckings for them - - - - -	0	7	8
To Symon Stones for makeing Cramps - -	0	18	8
paid for lead for them - - - - - -	0	10	0
paid to the Church Collector for rent - -	0	10	0
to the whaites for their wages - - - -	2	0	0
to William Skargell and John Shawre towards mending the townhead well, and the stepps there - - - - - - - - -	0	13	0
to Richard Abdie and George Shore towards mending Westbarr well - - - -	0	12	6
to Hollinbrigg for paveing the brigg - -	0	5	6
to George Wylde for 2 loads of stones - -	0	2	0
to Thomas Oates for repairing the workehouse -	0	19	6
for mosse, 3s. 4d. Lyme 2s. 6d. and for lead, 2s.	0	7	10
for the Juries Dynners at the Court leet and for drawing their verdict - - - - - -	0	12	6
to Symon Stones for mending the Churchyates -	0	2	0
for sweeping the bridge and churchyates - -	0	1	0
to the Overseers of the poore att two several payments - - - - - - - -	7	4	0
for rayling in Robbinson well - - - -	0	5	2
for the dynner for those that tooke this accompt	0	10	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
for writeing this Accompt - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Belman - - - - - - -	0	2	0

	li.	s.	d.
to the Beadle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
Total -	19	9	11
The totall of the receipts as aforesaid is - -	158	15	8
Discharge. Arrerages to be respited - -	57	13	1
Disbursements in toto - -	19	9	11
Discharge in toto - - -	77	3	0
which being taken from the charge abovesaid there remaines to cleare that accompt which was deliuered to Joseph Shemeild succeeding collector - - - - - - - -	81	12	6

[P. 193.] The Burgerie of the town of Sheffeild.—The Accompt of Joseph Shemeild[1] Collectour there taken the 29th day of May 1667 for the rents and revennues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare ending att Martinmas last.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis. The Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money received att the last reckoninge of Thomas Jenings - - - - - - -	81	12	6
And with one whole yeares rent - - -	31	1	0
And with Arreares upon the foot of the last Accompt - - - - - - - -	57	13	1
And with Interrest received of John Nodder for c li. for a yeare - - - - - - -	6	0	0
And interrest received of Thomas Lemons for 20 li. - - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with Interrest of 20 li. of Jarvis Cooper -	1	4	0
And with Interrest received of Robert Breilsforth for 30 li. - - - - - - -	1	16	0
And with Interrest of c li. from Thomas Skargill	6	0	0
And with Interrest of 30 li. due from him alsoe -	1	16	0
And with money received of Edmund Lethwood in part of a bond - - - - - - -	1	0	0
Summe totall of the Accountants receipts	189	6	7

Discharge. Arreares to be respited.

Thomas Trickett 1 li. 2s. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 6s. 3d. John Swynden 3 li. 10s. John Hancock late Stevin 6 li. 2s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 12s. 6d. Widow Belfeld 1 li. 9s. 2d. John Tompson 1 li. 6d. Christopher and Nicholas Stewardson 4s. Widdow Stevin 12s. 6d. Edward Stevin 15s. Isack Bate 2 li. William Roger 1 li.

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[1] Joseph Shemeld taxed for five hearths, 1665.

John Halley 13 li. 15s. George Jackson 15 li. James Barnes 2 li. 6s. 8d. Joseph Walton 6 li. 18s. John Hanbie 3 li. 13s. 4d. Ann Stevin 5s. 4d. Francis Brownell 3s. John Shore 2s. Thomas Robertes 10s. George Stevin 17s. 6d. Henry Staniforth 2s. James Rockley 4s. Robert Webster 6d.

[P. 194.] Disbursements.	li.	s.	d.
Lett out to Thomas Skargill and Thomas Jenings upon bond	6	0	0
Lett out alsoe to Jonathan Broughton upon bond	20	0	0
Lett out alsoe to John Styring upon bond	10	0	0
paid for filling up a well att Ashton house	0	0	4
for Coppiing a Rentall over	0	2	6
for An Abstract of Leases to be shewed Mr. Mountney	0	2	6
For 10 mens dynners att the Meeting when Mr. Mountney came over	0	9	0
for expences att the same tyme	0	12	2
Giuen Mr. Mountney man, 2s. and Thomas Skargell man 6d.	0	2	6
Paid the whaits for their yeares wages	2	0	0
Charges to Dalton about Nicholas Pearson	0	0	8
for Coppying the abstract of the Leases and 2 coppies of the grant[1]	0	3	4
Charges att Sessions about Widdow Capper	0	1	4
To Symon Stones for 33 Cramps for the bridge	0	13	9
To Shawers 4 of them 4 days work apeece	1	4	0
For drinck and coales	0	5	6
For 3 stone of lead less 12 unce [ounce]	0	5	0
Charges to Sir William Adams for a mittimus[2] for Widdow Capper	0	1	8
Spent att the removeall of her goods	0	0	3
Paid att Malyn Soresbies to William Mason in consideracion of a tenement to be putt into the town Collectours hands and rents to be reserved for the use of 2 children that are apprentices to William Mason	0	4	8
To William Hale for mossing the Almshouse poyntinge the Chimneys and Lyme for it	0	14	6
To Eusebius Hancock for a dore cheek att the Almeshouse	0	0	11
To the Church Collectour for rent for the workehouse	0	10	0
To Zachariah Wilson by consent of the town to be imployed for the use of the poore	20	0	0

[1] Probably the charter of Lord Furnival,

[2] "A warrant made to send an offender to prison."—*Blount.*

	li.	s.	d.
To Robert Machon for Sweeping the Church yates	0	0	8
To Samuell Clayton for mending the Church yates	0	8	0
To Symon Stones for 16 plates and iron snecks for the Churchyates	0	6	0
for drinck for them	0	0	4
[P. 195.] To Robert Bullas for 14 yards of sawn wood	0	4	8
To the overseers of the poore	6	0	0
for a band for pinfold doore and setting on	0	0	11
To William Bullas for boards and workmanshipp for the broad Church yates	0	1	10
To Symon Stones for his worke there	0	2	2
Paid for the Juries dynner and writeing the verdict	0	12	6
To John Hollingbrigg for mending the Cawsey at Lady bridg end	0	2	8
To William Wright for makeing a key for the Almhouse doore and mending the lock	0	0	10
The Collectours Fee	0	2	6
For the dynner for those that were present att takeing the accompt	0	10	0
For writeing the accompt	0	2	6
To the Belman for his Fee	0	2	0
To the Beadle for his Fee	0	1	0
Total	72	13	2
The Charge of this Accompt as appeares on the other page is	189	6	7
Arreares to be respited	66	17	11
Disbursements as above	72	13	2
Discharge in toto	139	11	1
which said summe beinge taken from the above-said charge there remains in the accomptants hands to clear the accompt	49	15	6

[P. 196.] The Burgerie of the town of Sheffield.—The Accompt of Joseph Shemeild Collectour there taken the 20th day of May 1668 for the rents and Revennues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare endinge att Martinmas last.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis. the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money remaining in his hands upon passing the last accompt	49	15	6
And with one whole yeares rent	31	1	0
And with Arreares upon the foot of the last accompt	66	17	11

	li.	s.	d.
And with Interrest received of Jonathan Broughton for 20 li. - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with interrest received of John Styring for 10 li. - - - - - - - - -	0	12	0
Received Jarvis Cooper which he had upon bond	20	0	0
and with a yeares interrest for the same - -	1	4	0
And of John Nodder for interrest af 100 li. for a year - - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
And of Thomas Lemons for interrest of 20 li. -	1	4	0
And of Robert Breilsforth for interrest of 30 li. -	1	16	0
And of Thomas Skargill for interrest of 130 li. -	7	16	0
And with money received of John Bayes[1] and Richard Parramour[2] overseers of the poore for the use of 2 children apprentices with William Mason which is yearly to be paid by the overseers of the poore to the towne collector to be kept for the use of the said children till they come att age in lieu of certain houseing[3] belonging to the said children and employed by the overseers - - - - - - . -	0	12	0
Summe totall of the Charge is	188	2	5

Discharge. Arrears to be respited.

Thomas Trickett 1 li. 13s. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 6s. 3d. John Swinden 3 li. 12s. John Hancock 6 li. 2s. 8d. Nicholas Topcliffe 12s. 6d. Widdow Belfield 1 li. 10s. 10d. John Tompson 1 li. 5s. 6d. Christopher Stewardson 2s. Nicholas Stewardson 2s. Widdow Stevin 15s. Robert Spencer 6s. 8d. Idem 11s. Edward Stevin 1 li. Thomas Stone 5s. Isack Bate 8s. William Rodger 1 li. Jo. Green 2s. John Halley 16 li. 5s. [P. 197.] George Jackson 15 li. 3s. James Barnes 2 li. 13s. 4d. Joseph Walton 2 li. 8s. Idem 7 li. 19s. John Hanbie 4 li. Ann Stevin 5s. 4d. Francis Brownell 3s. John Shore 3s. Thomas Roberts 11s. George Stevin 1 li. 2s. 6d. James Rockley 4s. 6d. Robert Webster 1s. Total 74 li. 19s. 1d.

Disbursements.

Paid for Coppieing a rentall of the Townes rents & Cheife rents - - - - - - -	0	2	6

[1] John, son of Richard Bayze, of Sheffield, cutler, was admitted apprentice 1656, according to the books of the Sheffield Cutlers' Company. John Bayes was assessed at two hearths, 1665.

[2] Richard Parramour was returned for one smithy and 3s. in money in the subsidy of 1670.

[3] The meaning is not apparent. See "housing" in Halliwell's *Dict.*, and "housings" in Addy's *Sheffield Glossary*.

	li.	e.	d.
Charges of myself & Ed. Sanderson goeing to Mr. Mounteney - - - - - - -	0	0	6
Paid George Brook for going a message to Mr. Mountney - - - - - - - -	0	0	6
Paid Francis Barlow for 36 pottles[1] of wyne to send to his honour[2] - - - - - -	2	8	0
Paid Roger Lee Church Collector for the workehouse rent - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
Paid the town whaits for a years wages - -	2	0	0
Paid to the overseers of the poore interrest of	6	0	0
20 li. left by An Shemeild - - - -	1	4	0
for mending the Churches broad yates - -	0	0	3
for dressing the Ladyes bridge - - - -	0	0	10
For the Juries dynner and writeing the verdict -	0	12	6
for an Iron band for the Almshouse doore - -	0	0	6
for mending the Pinfould doore - - - -	0	0	7
The Collectors Fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
For the dynner for those that were present att takeing this Accompt - - - - - -	0	10	0
for writeing the Accompt - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Belman for his fee - - - - - -	0	2	0
To the Beadle for his fee - - - - - -	0	1	0
Total - - - - - - -	13	18	2
Charge. The charge of this Accompt as afore is	188	2	5
Discharge. Arreares of above to be deducted -	74	19	1
Disbursements alsoe as above is - - -	13	18	2
Discharge in toto - - - -	88	17	3
which taken from the abovesaid charge there remaines to ballance the Accompt in the Accomptants hands - - - - - -	99	5	2

which was paid over to William Savage the Collectour for the succeeding yeare.

Memorandum.—Att the takeing of this accompt it was agreed by the Burgerie that if John Staniforth doe proceed in suit against Richard Roberts for his standing in the markett to sell his goods he the said Richard shall be defended by the said Burgerie att the Townes charge it beinge conceived it is a publique concern and against the priviledges of the town by their charter.[3]

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[1] "Pottle. A measure of two quarts."—*Halliwell.* "A small measure."—*Skeat.*

[2] The Hon. Henry Howard, afterwards 6th Duke of Norfolk.

[3] Lord Furnival's charter granted, among other things, to his free tenants, that they should be for ever free, whether buying or selling, from

[P. 200 (numbering wrong, 198 and 199 omitted).]

The Burgerie of the town of Sheffield.—The Accompt of William Savage Collectour there taken the 27th day of May 1669 for the rents and revennues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare ending att Martinmas last.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money received of Joseph Shemeild Collectour for the last yeare - - - - - - -	99	5	2
And with one whole yeares rent - - - -	31	1	0
And with Arreares upon the foot of the last Accompt - - - - - - - -	74	19	1
And with a yeares interrest for 100 li. due from John Nodder - - - - - - -	6	0	0
And with a yeares interrest for 20 li. of Thomas Lemons - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with a yeares rent for 20 li. of Jonathan Broughton - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with interrest of 10 li. for one yeare of John Styringe - - - - - - - -	0	12	0
And with 31 li. 16s. received of Robert Breilsforth which was due from him to the Burgerie upon bond - - - - - - - -	31	16	0
And with money received of the Collector of the poore for Mason children - - - - -	0	12	0
Total - - -	246	13	3

Discharge. Arreares to be respited.

Joseph Bradberry 1 li. 1s. 6d. Thomas Trickett 1 li. 2s. 6d. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 6s. 3d. John Swynden 3 li. 14s. John Hancocke 6 li. 6s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 12s. 6d. Widdow Belfield 1 li. 12s. 6d. John Tompson 1li. 10s. 6d. Christopher Stewardson 2s. Nicholas Stewardson 2s. Widdow Stevin 15s. Edward Stevin 1 li. 5s. Isaack Bate 8s. Thomas Stones 10s. William Roger 1 li. John Green 2s. John Halley 18 li. 15s. George Jackson 15 li. 11s. James Barnes 2 li. 13s. 4d. Joseph Walton 6 li. 16s. Ann Stevin 16s. Francis Brownell 4s. John Shore 4s. Thomas Roberts 12s. George Stevin 1 li. 7s. 6d. James Rockley 5s. Robert Webster 1s.

	li.	s.	d.
Total - - -	76	18	7
[P. 201.] Paid to the Whaits of the town for their wages - - - - - - - -	2	0	0
Paid the rent for the workehouse - - -	0	10	0

all dues and demands of toll throughout the whole of Hallamshire. It was apparently in defence of this immunity that the Burgery took the resolution in the text.

Paid for the Juries dynners and verdict at the Court Leet	0	12	6
Paid John Cappers widdow for a Landyron in the workehouse	0	2	0
Paid for mending the Churchyard wall	0	1	8
Paid for dressing the Churchyates	0	0	6
Paid for dressing the bridge	0	0	8
Paid for mending the Cubboard att the workehouse	0	0	6
Spent when I entred to be Collector	0	1	4
Paid for a sneck for the Churchyates	0	0	6
Paid George Stones for mending them	0	5	1
Paid Eusebius Hancock for 3 rayles for the Almeshouse	0	2	6
To the overseers of the poore	6	0	0
more for interrest of 20 li. left by Ann Shemeild	1	4	0
Charges of building a stable &c. att the workehouse as by bill of particulars appeares	25	10	1½
The Collectours fee	0	2	6
paid for the Dynner of those that were present att takeing this accompt	0	10	0
paid for writeing this accompt	0	2	6
To the Belman for his Fee	0	2	0
To the Beadle for his Fee	0	1	0
Lett out upon bond from Mrs. Sarah Bullock and Mr. William Sympson	40	0	0
Alsoe to Mr. William Sympson upon his bond	20	0	0
Alsoe to Joseph Walton	20	0	0
Alsoe to Thomas Taylor Henerie Taylor and William Staniforth	30	0	0
paid for drawing a Rentall and chiefe rents	0	2	6
To Richard Roberts for charges expended in suit in defending the townes priviledges	1	5	0
George Stones for bands and hookes	0	0	10
Summe of discharge by disbursements	148	17	8½
And by Arreares	76	18	7
Toto	225	16	3½
The totall of the receipts as above is	246	13	3
And of the Disbursements and Arreares	225	16	3½
So remaines in the Accomptants hands to cleare the accompt	20	17	0

which was paid the day and yeare above-written to Abiell Rollinson Collectour for the yeare ensueinge.

[P. 202.] The Burgerie of the Town of Sheffeild.—The Accompt of Abiell Rollinson Collector there taken the 12th day of May 1670 for the Rents and Revennues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare ending att Martinmas last.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money received of the last Collector - -	20	17	0
And with a yeares rent - - - - - -	32	3	6
And with Arreares upon the foot of the last accompt - - - - - . - -	76	18	7
Received of John Nodder for interest of 100 li. for a yeare - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
Of Thomas Lemmons for interrest of 20 li. for a yeare - - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
Received of Robert Bright which was due to the Burgerie 100 li., and interrest for the same for 2 yeares, 12 li. - - - - -	112	0	0
Of Jonathan Broughton for interrest of 20 li. for a yeare - - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
Of John Styring for interrest of 10 li. - -	0	12	0
Of Mr. Thomas Taylor for interrest of 30 li. for a yeare - - - - - - - - -	1	16	0
Of Mr. Sympson for interrest of 20 li. for a yeare and an halfe - - - - - - - -	1	16	0
and for interrest of 40 li. in Mr. Bullocks hand for a yeare - - - - - - - -	2	8	0
and of Joseph Walton for interrest of 20 li. for a yeare - - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
Summe totall of the Charge is - -	258	3	1

Discharge.

Lett out to Obadiah Treeton upon bond - -	50	0	0
To John Ashton and William Hobson upon bond - - - - - - - - -	20	0	0
To Stephen Green upon bond - - - -	20	0	0
Paid for a Rentall writeing - - - -	0	2	6
Disbursed in repaireing the Ladies bridge as by particulars appeares - - - - -	3	1	8
Disbursed in makeing a wall and a yate att Watrie lane head near Crooksmore - -	0	13	3
more for wood for the same place - - -	0	2	2
To George Stones for mending the churchyates	0	2	6
Disbursed alsoe about repaires for the Barker poole and bridge as appeares by particulars -	2	17	7
Paid the Church collector for rent for the worke-house - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
for oyle for the Chest and for dressing the bridge	0	0	7
Paid to the whaits for their wages - - -	2	0	0

	li.	s.	d.
Paid for the Juries dynner att the great Leet[1] and drawing the verdict - - - -	0	12	6
Paid the Collectors of the poore - - -	1	4	0
the Accomptant craues allowance for an abatement to Mr. Fisher for want of his house repairing in tyme - - - - - - -	0	10	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
For the dynner for those that were present att takeing this accompt - - - - - -	0	10	0
To the Belman his Fee - - - - - -	0	2	0
To the Beadle - - - - - - - -	0	1	6
For entringe this Accompt - - - - -	0	2	0
Total - - - - - - -	102	14	9

[P. 203.] Arreares unreceived to be deducted.

Joseph Bradberrie 1 li. 6s. 6d. Thomas Trickett 1 li. 8s. 6d. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 8s. 9d. John Swynden 3 li. 14s. John Hancocke 6 li. 6s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 12s. 6d. Widdow Belfield 1 li. 14s. 2d. John Tompson 1 li. 15s. 6d. Christopher Stewardson 4s. Widdow Stevin 15s. John Taylor 16s. Joseph Butler 1 li. 6s. 8d. Isacke Bate 8s. Thomas Stones 15s. William Rodger 1 li. John Halley 21 li. 5s. George Jackson 15 li. 19s. John Allin 3s. James Barnes 2 li. 13s. 4d. James Savage 2s. Joseph Walton 6 li. 18s. John Hanbie 4 li. 13s. 4d. John Barnsley 5s. 4d. John Shore 4s. Thomas Roberts 13s. George Stevin 1 li. 7s. 6d. James Rockley 5s. 6d. Robert Webster 1s. Thomas Hobson 1s. Total 81 li. 8s. 3d.

The whole charge of this Accompt as on the other page is - - - - - - -	258	3	1
The Discharge by payments, disbursements, and money lett out as appears alsoe . - -	102	14	9
And by Arrears to be deducted - - - -	81	8	3
Discharge in toto - - -	184	3	0[2]
which taken from the abovesaid charge there remaines in the Accomptants hands - -	74	0	1

Memorandum the 12th of May, 1670.—There will be due from Mr. Fisher by agreement with the Burgesses att Martinmas next the sum of 6 li. 2s. 6d. for rent and from that time he is to pay 7 li. per annum for that part of the workhouse then in his possession and 3 roomes lately in possession of John Capper. And it is then also ordered that what money he disbursed for necessarie repaires shall be repayd him by the collectors of the Town rents.

[1] Previously entered as the Sembly quest, or Assembly Inquest.

[2] Sic.

Then also agreed by the Burgesses then present that if any who are tenants to the Town Burgerie shall be sued for their rents by any other persons clayming any interest in what they hold of the Burgerie, that they shall be indempnifyed by the Town Collector for the tyme beinge, provided they pay their rents to the said Collectors.

[P. 204.] The Burgerie of the Towne of Sheffield.—The Accompt of Abiell Rollinson[1] Collectour there taken the 8th day of May 1671 for the rents and Revennues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare endinge att Martinmas last.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money remaineinge in his hands att passinge the last accompt - - - - - - -	74	0	1
Alsoe with Arreares due upon the foote of the last accompt - - - - - - - -	81	8	3
And with one whole yeares rent - - -	33	3	0
And with interrest for 100 li. in John Nodders hand for one yeare - - - - - -	6	0	0
And with a yeares interrest for 20 li. in Thomas Lemons hand - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with 3 yeares interrest for 30 li. due from Thomas Skargell - - - - - - -	5	8	0
And with a yeares interrest for 20 li. in John Ashtons hands - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with halfe a yeares rent for 50 li. in Obadiah Treetons hand - - - - -	1	10	0
And with interrest of 20 li. for a yeare in Jonathan Broughton's hand - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with interrest of 10 li. in John Styringes hand - - - - - - - - -	0	12	0
And with interrest for 30 li. for a year in Mr. Thomas Taylors hand - - - - - -	1	16	0
And with a yeares interrest for 20 li. received of Mr. Sympson - - - - - - -	1	4	0
Alsoe for interrest for 40 li. received of him -	2	8	0
Alsoe for interrest for 20 li. for a yeare in Joseph Walton's hand - - - - - - -	1	4	0
Total - - - -	212	5	4
Discharge.			
Paid for drawinge a new Rentall - - - -	0	2	6
For dressinge the way neare the Barker poole -	0	5	6
For a replevin for release of widdow Gills goods	0	2	10

[1] Probably the same as "Abell Rowlingson," assessed for five hearths 1665.

	li.	s.	d.
Paid to the whaites for their yeares wages -	2	0	0
For charges about the agreement between Sheffield and Hallam, and about the overseers for the poore - - - - - - - -	0	12	8
To the Collector for rent for the workehouse -	0	10	0
Paid Thomas Poynton for glassinge the Almeshouse, and Michaell Wright for painting it -	0	18	6
Paid for repairing Barker poole and Flynt well -	1	0	0
Paid the Collector for the poore for interrest of Ann Shemeild money - - - - - -	1	4	0
For repaire of the pinfold and for dressinge the Ladies bridge and churchyates - - -	0	1	2
For the Juries dynner and verdict - - -	0	13	6
For makeing up the Churchyard wall and leadeinge rubbish away - - - - - - -	5	17	2
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
For the dynner for those that were present att takeinge this accompt - - - - - -	0	10	0
For entering this Accompt - - - - -	0	5	0
To the Belman for his Fee - - - - -	0	2	0
To the Beadle his Fee - - - - - -	0	1	0
Total - . - - - - -	14	19	2

[P. 205.] Arreares onreceived to be Allowed upon Accompt.

Thomas Trickett 1 li. 14s. 6d. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 8s. 9d. John Swynden 3 li. 14s. John Hancocke 6 li. 6s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 12s. 6d. Widdow Belfield 1 li. 15s. 10d. John Tompson 2 li. 0s. 6d. Christopher Stewardson 7s. Widdow Stevin 15s. Isack Bate 1 li. 3s. Thomas Stones 8s. William Rodger 1 li. John Halley 23 li. 15s. George Jackson 16 li. 7s. James Barnes 2 li. 13s. 4d. Joseph Walton 6 li. 18s. John Hanby 2 li. 13s. 4d. John Barnesley 5s. 4d. John Shore 4s. Thomas Roberts 14s. George Stevin 1 li. 7s. 6d. Robert Webster 1s. Nicholas Heathcote 6d. Summe totall of Arreares 79 li. 10s. 9d.

The whole charge of this accompt as appeares in particulars on the other page - - -	212	5	4
Whereof disbursed as appeares alsoe - - -	14	19	2
And Arrears to be allowed - - - -	79	10	9
Total - - - - - -	94	9	11
Soe remaines to cleare the accompt the sum of -	117	15	5

which said sume of one hundreth and seaventeen (sic) poundes fifteen shillings and five pence was paid to James Staniforth att the passinge this accompt who is Collectour for the succeeding yeare.

Memorandum.—The day and the yeare abovesaid a bond from Thomas Skargell and Thomas Jenings for 5 li. and interrest from the date was delivered to James Staniforth.

[P. 206.] The Burgerie of the town of Sheffield.—The Accompt of James Staniforth Collectour there taken the 23d day of May 1672 for the rents and Revennues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare ending att Martinmas last.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money received of Abiell Rollinson Collectour for the last yeare - - - - - - -	117	15	5
And with one whole yeares rent - - - -	34	4	0
And with Arreares upon the foot of the last accompt - - - - - - - -	79	10	9
And with 20 li. received of Stephen Green and Robert Harrison and interrest for 2 yeares -	22	8	0
And with interrest for 100 li. for a yeare receiued of John Nodder - - - - - - -	6	0	0
And of John Styring for 10 li. pro a yeare -	0	12	0
And with 30 li. received of Mr. Thomas Taylor and interrest pro 1 year and a halfe - -	32	14	0
And with one yeares interrest of 20 li. from Mr. Sympson - - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
and of him for 40 li. for a yeare due from Mr. Bullocke - - - - - - - - -	2	8	0
And with money received of the Collectour of the poore for masons children for 3 yeares -	1	16	0
[Total] - - -	298	12	2
Discharge.			
To Mr. Chappell[1] for suit charges expended against Abiell Rollinson and Thomas Mason touching a boy slaine at Brigghouse[2] - -	2	1	0
To William Harvey for mending the Church yates - - - - - - - - - -	0	5	3
For makeinge a newe Rentall - - - - -	0	2	6
To the whaits for their wages - - . -	2	0	0
Paid for leadeing stone to the Ladies bridg and for paveinge there - - - - - -	0	17	6
Paid to Francis Barlow for Wyne to send to my Lord Howard[3] - - - - - - -	2	12	0

[1] Thomas Chappell, attorney, who was assessed for ten hearths, 1665. He died 1693. [2] Bridgehouses.

[3] The same Henry Howard who in 1668 was called "his honour," and afterwards became sixth Duke of Norfolk, created Earl Marshal and Hereditary Earl Marshal of England, 1672.

	li.	s.	d.
Given to my Lords servants - - - - -	0	6	0
To Nicholas Chow for suit charges expended against him by John Bright[1] - - - -	12	16	10
To the Church Collectour for rent for the workehouse - - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
For dressing Flynt well and the church gates 22d. and for stooping and raileing the town head well 12s. 6d. - - - - - - - -	0	14	4
Paid to Thomas Mason towards the money he demaunds of the town as due to him since he was last Cunstable - - - - - -	5	0	0
For the Juries dynner and verdict for this present yeare - - - - - - -	0	12	6
To the Collectour of the poore for interrest of Ann Shemeilds money - - - - - -	1	4	0
To the Clerk for entring this Accompt - -	0	5	0
To the Bellman, 2s.; and the Beadle, 1s. -	0	3	0
The Collectours Fee, and for the dynner for those that were present att takeing this accompt - - - - - - - - -	0	12	6
Summe of discharge -	[2]30	2	5

Arreares to be respited.

Thomas Trickett 1 li. 14s. 6d. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 11s. 3d. John Swynden 3 li. 14s. John Hancocke 6 li. 10s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 16s. 2d. Widdow Belfield 1li. 17s. 6d. John Tompson 2 li. 5s. 6d. Christopher Stewardson and pro Nicholas 7s. Widdow Stevin 15s. John Taylor 16s. James Creswicke 16s. 8d. Thomas Stones 13s. Henry Butler 13s. 4d. William Rodger 1 li. John Green 1s. John Halley 26 li. 5s. George Jackson 16 li. 15s. James Barnes 2 li. 13s. 4d. Joseph Walton 10 li. 7s. Ann Stevin 16s. John Hanbie 3 li. John Barnsley 10s. 8d. Mr. Fisher 7 li. John Shore 4s. Thomas Roberts 14s. George Stevin 1 li. 8s. 6d. Robert Webstar 1s. Thomas Hobson 1s. William Leach 3s.

Summe of Arreares - -	96	16	1
The Charge of this Accompt as appeares is -	298	12	2
And the Discharge by disbursements - -	30	2	5
And Arreares as above - - - - - -	96	16	1
Discharge in toto - - -	126	18	6
Soe remaines in the Accomptants hands to ballance the Accompt - - - - - -	171	13	8

[1] Probably in defence of the privileges of Free tenants under Furnival's Charter.

[2] Corrected from "39 li. 16s. 5d."

December 28th., 1672.—Att a meeteing of the Townes Burgesses upon request of George Broadbent, for leave to come through the Workehouse croft with hay, when and so often as he shall have occasion, it was agreed by the townsmen then present that the said George have leave to goe and come through the said croft with hay onely he giueinge satisfaction to the tenant of the workehouse for the tyme beinge duringe the pleasure of the townesmen.

Then also agreed by the Townesmen present (viz., Mr. William Sympson, Mr. Thomas Chappell, Malyn Soresby, William Cooke, Thomas Britland, Edward Sanderson, Francis Barlow, Robert Howsley, James Staniforth, Edward Barlow), that the Barker poole be inlarged as much as conveniently it can att the discretion of the aforenamed townesmen or any 4 of them, at the Townes charges, as soon as the season will suitt.

[P. 208.] The Burgerie of the town of Sheffield.—The Accompt of James Staniforth Collectour there taken the 22d day of May 1673 for the Rents and Revennues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare ending att Martinmas last.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money remaineing in his hand upon the foot of his last accompt - - - - -	171	13	8
And with a yeares rent as by the Rentall appeares - - - - - - - -	34	19	0
And with Arreares upon the foot of the last accompt in the tenants hand unreceiued -	96	16	1
And with interrest received of John Nodder for 100 li. for 1 yeare - - - - - - -	6	0	0
And with 2 yeares interrest of William Hobson for 20 li. - - - - - - - - -	2	8	0
Alsoe of Nicholas Chow for a year for 30 li. -	1	16	0
Alsoe of John Styring for a yeares interrest for 10 li. - - - - - - - - -	0	12	0
Alsoe with 20 li. principall of Jonathan Broughton and interrest for a yeare and odd months-	21	11	0
And with money received of the overseers of the poore for Masons children - - - - -	0	12	0
Summe totall of the Charge -	336	7	9
Disbursements.			
Paid to the whaits of the towne - - -	2	0	0
Paid for a nue Rentall - - - - - -	0	2	6
Paid for paveinge the Ladies Bridge and the wall at Rodgers ortchard for stoopes and rayles			

	li.	s.	d.
iron worke and other necessaries as by bill of perticulars appeares - - - - - -	8	7	10
more to Richard Warren for paueing the Ladies bridge - - - - - - - - - -	1	16	8
Paid for mending the town head well - -	0	7	9
for repaireing the town head pinfold att severall tymes - - - - - - - - - -	0	16	0
For mending the house of office att the Almes house, repairing the rayles, mending the chymneys, wood for the same, and mending the wyndowes - - - - - - - - -	0	18	6
Paid for Rynging and drinck &c. when word came of my Lords being Earl Marshall[1] -	1	18	0
Spent by the townsmen att three severall meetings upon the towns Accompt - - - -	0	5	6
Paid to Nicholas Chow and Joseph Hancocke for charges expended in suit about Crooke wife - - - - - - - - - -	1	10	4
Paid to John Shore towards inlargeing the Barker poole - - - - - - - - - -	10	0	0
Paid to Sunderland for hedgeing about the Pynfold - - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
Paid for the Juries dynner att Great Leet and drawing the verdict - - - - - -	0	13	4
[P. 209.] Paid for the Church yates mending - - - - - - - - - - -	0	4	6
To the Beadle for summoning a meeting - -	0	0	4
Paid for dressing the Ladies Bridge - - -	0	0	4
Lent Abell Yates and John Addamson towards defraying the charges of the Townes armes, summoned to Doncaster, which they ingaged to repay when they have collected an assessment - - - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
To the Church Collector for rent for the workehouse - - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
Paid the overseers of the poore for Ann Shemield interrest - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
Paid to Thomas Mason - - - - - -	5	0	0
For dressing the Church yates - - - - -	0	1	0
For entering this Accompt - - - - -	0	5	0
To the Bellman and Beadle - - - - -	0	3	0
To the Collectour for his Fee - - - - -	0	2	6
For the Dynner for those that were present att takeing this Accompt - - - - - -	0	10	0
Summe of Disbursments -	41	19	1

[1] See Note 3, page 197, *ante*.

Arrears vnreceived.

John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Idem John 3 li. 14s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 13s. 9d. John Hancocke 6 li. 14s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 5s. Idem Nicholas 14s. 10d. Widdow Belfield 1 li. 19s. 2d. John Tompson 2 li. 10s. 6d. Christopher Stewardson 4s. Idem Christopher 3s. Widdow Stevin 15s. John Taylor 1 li. 12s. John Fryth 2s. Thomas Stones 18s. Widdow Rodger 1 li. Widdow Bloncke 2s. John Halley 28 li. 15s. George Jackson 17 li. 3s. James Barnes 2 li. 13s. 4d. George Brewell 3 li. 4s. Idem George 10 li. 12s. John Hanbie 2 li. 13s. 4d. John Barnsley 5s. Mr. Fisher 7 li. John Shore 4s. Thomas Robertes 15s. George Stevin 1 li. 8s. 6d. Robert Webster 1s. Nicholas Tompson 1s.

Sum of Arrear - - -	100	9	1
Money lett out upon bond to Jeremiah Ward -	20	0	0
William Hobson and John Stead - - -	20	0	0
John and Nathaniel Styring - - - -	10	0	0
Summe of money lett out - - -	50	0	0
Summe totall of the Disbursements, Arrears and money lett out - - - - - -	192	8	2
Soe remaines to ballance the accompt the summe of - - - - - - -	143	19	7

which was paid to James Newton (Collectour for the succeeding yeare) att passing this Accompt.

[P. 210.] 13 Martii 1673.—Then agreed by the Burgesses then present that Elizabeth late wife of William Rogers in the Isle of Wight in the Township of Sheffield shall hold the house wherein the said William Rogers did dwell in the said Isle of the said Burgesses during her life and that after her decease Richard the son of John Rogers brother to the said William shall be admitted tenant to the same.

The Burgerie of the towne of Sheffield.—The Accompt of James Newton Collector there taken the 4th day of June 1674 for the rents and Revennues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole year endinge att Martinmas last.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money received of James Staniforth Collectour for the last yeare - - - - - -	143	19	3
And with a yeares rent as by the Rentall appeares	35	0	0
And with Arreares upon the foot of the last Accompt - - - - - - - -	100	9	1
Alsoe received of Raph Turner and George Brodebent Cunstables for the last yeare in parte of 5 li. due from them to the towne -	3	15	9

	li.	s.	d.
Alsoe of Nicholas Chow for a yeares interrest of 30 li. - - - - - - - - - -	1	16	0
And of Mr. Sympson for interrest of 60 li. to the 3d of February 1672 - - - - - -	4	14	0
And of Jonathan Treeton for a debt of 50 li. and interrest for 3 yeares - - - - - -	59	0	0
And of William Hobson and John Stead for a yeares interrest for 20 li. - - - - -	1	4	0
And of John Nodder for interrest of 100 li. for a yeare - - - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
And of Mr. Tucker for halfe a year and 3 weekes interrest due from Mr. Mountney for c li. -	3	7	6
And of Thomas Lemons for a yeares interrest in Arreares for 20 li. - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with a yeares interrest for 20 li. of John Ashton and William Hobson - - - -	1	4	0
And with a yeares interrest for 10 li. received of John Styringe - - - - - - -	0	12	0
And with money received of the overseers of the poore for rent for 2 houses belonging to Masons children - - - - - - - -	0	12	0
Summe totall of the Charge -	362	17	11

[P. 211.] Disbursements as followeth

Charges about the Barker poole this yeare the way against it and the Trowes in the Colepitt lane - - - - - - - - -	52	10	5
Paid for entring Thomas Masons accompts coppying warrants, &c. - - - - - - -	0	6	6
for altering the townes Rentall and rentall of the cheife rent - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
For a Rentall of the townes land and chiefe rent	0	3	0
To John Taylor for dressing the townes Armes and mending them - - - - - - -	0	14	4
To the whaits for their wages this yeare - -	1	11	0
To George Stone and William Harvey for a locke and key for the Almeshouse, a key for the Pynfold, and mending Churchyates -	0	1	6
To Mr. Barlow for 3 dozen bottles which were sent to the Mannor - - - - - - -	0	13	6
To Mr. Jessop[1] Church collector for the workehouse rent - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
To John Newton for repaireinge the Pynfold doore - - - - - - - - - - -	0	1	8

[1] Francis Jessop, F.R.S., of Broomhall, buried at Sheffield, 3rd April, 1691.—See Gatty's Hunter's *Hallamshire*, p. 367.

	li.	s.	d.
To Mr. Crooke and Zachariah Wilson for their journey to Norwich - - - - - -	3	0	0
To Mr. Hyll for coppying out the deed and articles made by my Lord Shrewsburie -	0	7	0
Paid for the Juries dynner att the great Court Leet - - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
To Alexander Watson for Coppyinge the Juries verdict - - - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Collectour for the poore for the interrest of Ann Shemield money - - - - -	1	4	0
To Nathan Hewitt for dressing Flynt well -	0	0	8
To Phillipps for dressing Church yates - -	0	0	6
For entring the Accompts - - - - -	0	5	0
For the dynner for those that were present att entring these Accompts - - - - -	0	10	0
The Collectours Fee - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Bellman, 2s.; the Beadle, 1s. - -	0	3	0
Summe totall of Disbursements - -	62	18	1
Alsoe money lett out upon bond to Mr. Michaell Addams, Thomas Stacie being bound with him by bond dated 24th March 1673 - -	100	0	0

Arreares to be resspited.

John Fryth 4s. Christopher Stewardson 7s. John Hancock 6 li. 18s. 8d. Nicholas Topcliffe 6s. 8d. Idem Nicholas 16s. 10d. John Tompson 2 li. 15s. 6d. Nicholas Tompson 1s. Widdow Belfield 2 li. 10d. Widdow Emerie 6d. John Shore 4s. [P. 212.] Widdow Stevin 15s. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 16s. 3d. John Wigfall 7 li. George Stevin 1 li. 9s. 6d. Thomas Robertes 16s. Thomas Hobson 1s. William Leach 3s. Robert Webster 1s. 6d. Mr. Fisher 7 li. Edmund Lethwood 2 li. 10s. John Pearson 1s. John Hanby 2 li. 13s. 4d. John Barnsley 5s. 4d. William Rodger 2 li. Widdow Bloncke 3s. George Jackson 17 li. 11s. James Barnes 2 li. 13s. 4d. James Creswick 16s. 8d. Henry Butler 13s. 4d. John Hawley 31 li. 5s. George Brewell 2 li. 13s. Isaack Bate 15s. John Taylor 4s.

[Total arrears] - - -	97	1	3
Summe totall of the Charge is - - - -	362	17	11
Summe totall of Disbursements - - -	62	18	1
Money lett out - - - - - - - -	100	0	0
Arreares uncollected - - - - - -	97	1	3
Discharge in toto - - -	259	19	4
which taken from the above said Charge there remaines in the Accomptants hands to ballance the accompt - - - - - -	102	18	7

October 28th, 1674.—Then agreed by the Burgesses and free tenants of the town That a lease with reasonable covenants be made to Samuel Barlow of that part of the house in Thomas Barlows occupation for 31 years att 6s. per annum and 60 li. Fyne whereof 30 li. was formerly paid to James Bradberry by the Towne for which sume the said house was sold by Thomas Trickett to the said Bradberry and other 20 li thereof is to be put out to interrest the interrest to goe to Thomas Trickett during his lyfe and att his decease the whole 20 li. to goe to Thomas and Ann children of the said Thomas Trickett and 10 li. remainder to the use of the towne.

Also another lease to Edward Atkin, of the house in the occupation of Elizabeth Rollinson, widdow, att 5s. 6d. per annum and 16 li. Fyne. 21 years, which 16 li. was allowed Thomas Trickett.

[P. 213.] The Burgerie of the towne of Sheffield.—The Accompt of James Newton Collectour there taken the 1st day of July 1675 for the Rents and Revennues belonging to the said Burgerie for one whole yeare ending att Martinmas last.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money remaining in his hand the last reckoning	102	18	7
And with a yeares rent as by the Rentall appeares	35	0	0
And with Arrears upon the foot of the last accompt	97	1	3
And with money received of George Broadbent and Ralph Turner Cunstables formerly which was due from them to the towne - - -	1	4	3
And with money received of Samuell Barlow for a Fyne for his house att Barker poole - -	10	0	0
And with a yeares interrest received of Mr. Addams for 100 li. - - - - - -	6	0	0
And with 3 yeares and 11 monthes interrest of George Brewell for 20 li. - - - - -	4	14	0
And with a yeares interrest of Nicholas Chow for 30 li. - - - - - - - - -	1	16	0
And of John Nodder for 100 li. Interrest for a yeare - - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
And of William Hobson for one yeares interrest for 20 li. - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And of Thomas Lemons for 22 li. for 2 yeares -	2	8	0
And of Nathaniel Styring for 2 yeares interrest for 10 li. - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And of John Styring for 10 li. for 1 yeare - -	0	12	0
Summe totall of the Charge -	270	2	1

Disbursements are as followeth

	li.	s.	d.
Paid for a new Rentall and Cheife Rentall and altering both	0	5	0
more for Coppying the abstract of leases, Mr. Mountney's report and severall other papers	0	8	0
Spent att John Eyres when severall townsmen went to speake to him about takeing down the pales before his doore, and taking them down	0	3	2
To Nathan Hewitt for dressing the Flynt well 3 severall tymes	0	2	4
For carriage of the papers to London to Mr. Sympson	0	1	0
To the whaits for 1 year wages and a quarter for one of them	2	5	0
Paid William Spooner which he paid for loosing his horses arreasted by the Lords officers for leading sand to the Barker poole	0	10	0
For a dynner for those that viewed the Townes land	0	10	0
Paid John Rawson for repairing the fences in Hupper thorpe lane	0	5	0
To Shores for setting the stone under the Ladies Bridge	2	2	1
To John Shore for going to Crookes moor to stryke stone	0	0	4
[P. 214.] To Thomas Taylor and others for getting and leading stone and sand and setting the church yates and the Barker poole	3	19	8
To Mr. Clark for stone in the Quarries to mend the Bridge	0	1	0
To Richard Shore for mending the Pynfold wall	0	0	6
To Malyn Soresbie for leadinge stone to Ladies Bridge and Barker poole att 2 severall payments and giuen to his man	1	19	10
To Thomas Lemons for a dayes worke and for leading clotts to the Ladies bridge	0	4	10
Charges to Mr. Vincents and sendinge a messenger about the Parke Assessments, and for his Fee	1	4	4
To William Mason for Swifts children which had been received by the town for their use	4	4	0
To William Harvey for mending the Pinfold doore locke	0	0	6
For dressing the way by the water syde above the bridge	0	0	10

	li.	s.	d.
To Mr. Barlow for wyne sent to my Lords sonne and to the Buttler att the Manner[1] - -	1	6	6
To Margrett Cheme for dressing the Ladies bridge - - - - - - - - -	0	1	8
To Edward Atkin for writeings between Bradberry and him - - - - - - -	0	6	6
To the Church Collectour for rent for the workehouse - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
Paid to William Turner for a distress for rent upon the goods of Creswicks and Tricketts -	0	2	8
To Nicholas Bower for stoops and rayles in Campo lane and at Town head well - -	0	5	6
Paid for the Juries Dynner and verdict att Court Leet - - - - - - - - -	0	12	6
To William Hale for mending a wall att upper thorp lane - - - - - - - -	0	1	4
Charges of Fylling and leading gravell and other Disbursements necessarie about Barker poole	0	16	8
Paid John Shore for worke done att Barker poole as by his Receipts appeares - -	13	0	0
Paid for entring the Accompts and for 2 Petitions to the Lord - - - - - - -	0	7	0
The Collectours Fee - - - - - -	0	2	6
For the Dynner for those who were present att takeing this Accompt - - - - - -	0	10	0
To the Bellman, 2s. and for mending the churchyates, 6d. - - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Beadle - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To Phillipps for dressing the Churchyates -	0	1	0
Sum of the Disbursements -	36	14	9

[P. 215.] Arrears vnreceiued

William Ratcliffe 3s. 6d. John Fryth 6s. Christopher Stewardson 7s. John Hancock 7 li. 2s. 8d. Nicholas Topcliffe 19s. 10d. John Tompson 3 li. 6d. Nicholas Tompson 1s. Widdow Belfield 2 li. 2s. 6d. Widdow Emerie 1s. John Shore 4s. Widdow Stevin 17s. 6d. Thomas Wilson 1 li. 18s. 9d. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Idem John 3 li. 14s. George Stevin 1 li. 8s. 6d. Thomas Roberts 15s. Thomas Hobson 2s. Robert Webster 1s. 6d. Mr. Fisher 7 li. John Hanbie 2 li. 13s. 4d. John Barnsley 5s. 4d. William Rodger 3 li. George Jackson 17 li. 19s. James Barnes 2 li. 13s. 4d. John Halley 33 li. 15s. George Brewell 2 li. 13s. Widdow Bate 15s. John Taylor 12s.

[Total arrears] - - -	97	17	3

[1] This entry does not show which son of Lord Howard was visiting the Manor. He had two sons, Henry and Thomas, by his first wife, Lady Ann Somerset, and it was probably one of these.

	li.	s.	d.
Charge. Summe totall of the charge of this Accompt is - - - - - - - -	270	2	1
Discharge. Disbursements as above is - -	36	14	9
Arreares as above alsoe - - - - - -	97	17	3
Totall - - -	134	12	0
which taken from the abovesaid Charge there remaines in the Accomptants hands to ballance the Accompt - - - - - -	135	10	1

which said summe was paid to Mr. Cooke att passing this Accompt who is Collector for the succeedinge yeare.

Then agreed by the Townsmen present that the Arrear upon Mr. Fisher being 7 li. be allowed him for repair of the workehouse in pursuance of a former order made in Abiell Rollinsons yeare vizt: 12° Maii 1670.

Soe the totall of Arrears to be charged in the next Accompt will be 90 li. 17s. 3d.

[P. 216.] Att a meeting 2° Septembris 1676 att the Parish Church of Sheffield there being then present Mr. William Cooke Town Collector Mr. William Sympson, Mr. Thomas Britland, Robert Howsley, Mr. John Wadsworth, Mr. John Eyr, Abiell Rollinson, Joseph Hanley, Mr. Joseph Butler, Peeter Sympson, Anthony Hall, Charles Clayton, Godfrey Creswicke and Nicholas Chow Burgesses or free tenants of the Town of Sheffield aforesaid, it was agreed, That the Right Honourable the Lord Howard Earle Marshall of England and Lord of the Mannor of Sheffield aforesaid, shall be moved to consent to the removeall of the Common Bakehouse, and the building of another in a more convenient place, where it may be less dangerous to the town, and that Mr. William Sympson, Mr. Thomas Britland, Mr. Francis Barlow, Mr. John Eyr, John Webster, and James Newton, or any three of them, be disyred and authorized (in case his Lordshipp doe consent) to see the same done in such manner as shall be thought convenient to them, and the rest of the Burgesses of the said towne doe consent thereunto.

Eodem die.—Then agreed by the persons above named that the bond entred into by Thomas Skargell and Nicholas Chow be renewed in regard one of the parties are dead and that Nicholas Chow doe enter bond with his sonne for the same for one yeare and further alsoe That in regard that Nicholas Chow was onely securitie and the money in danger of being lost had not he secured it therefore that he pay onely 12d. att the pound for the interest for the said yeare for the summe.

[P. 217.] The Burgerie of the Town of Sheffield.—The Accompt of Mr. William Cooke Collectour of the townes rents taken the 14th day of Januarie 1677 for the Rents and Revenues belonging to the said Burgesses fcr Two yeares ending att Martinmas 1676.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with money received of James Newton Collectour for the yeare foregoeinge - - - - - - -	135	10	1
And with money received of Thomas Lemons and Raph Turner Cunstables which was in their handes att passing their Accompts -	7	16	0
And with 2 yeares rent upon the Rentall - -	71	8	1
And with Arrears upon the foote of the last accompt - - - - - - - -	90	17	3
And with money received of Nicholas Chow for interest - - - - - - - -	5	2	0
And with 2 yeares interrest received of John Nodder - - - - - - - -	11	0	0
And of George Brewell for interrest for a yeare xxiiij s. and in parte of his bond 5 li. - -	6	4	0
And with interrest received of Mr. Addams -	12	15	0
And with money received of Widdow Hobson being a debt due to the towne - - -	20	0	0
And with 2 yeares interrest of John Styringe for 10 li. - - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
Alsoe the lyke of Nathaniell Styring - -	1	4	0
Alsoe of Widdow Hobson for interrest of 20 li. for 2 yeares - - - - - - - -	2	8	0
Summe totall of the Receipts - -	366	8	5
more of Thomas Lemons 2 yeares interrest -	2	8	0
[Total] - - -	368	16	5

Whereof Disbursed :

To Andrew Bacon Cunstable which was received of the former cunstables - - - - -	5	10	0
To William Yealand and John Webster Cunstables the remainder of the abovesaid money	2	6	0
For a chaine 2 locks a stone stoop and setting it up att Ladies Bridge and paveinge about it	0	10	6
For a new Rentall - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
Charges about the Barker poole as by particulars appeares - - - - - - - -	9	14	3
Paid to the whaits for their wages for 2 yeares -	2	15	0
To the Church Collectour for 2 yeares rent for workehouse - - - - - - - -	1	0	0
For mending the Beadles badge - - -	0	0	8

	li.	s.	d.
For mending the Church yates and barrell laggs[1] and nayles - - - - - - - -	0	4	4
To Richard Phillipps for dressing the Church-yates - - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
For the dynner and verdict for the Jury - -	0	13	0
To Woodhouse to redeem his goods amerced for the Pinfold - - - - - - -	0	8	0
[P. 218.] Charges expended in the difference with the milstonemen about their way and in makeing an agreement with them - -	0	12	3
To the Churchwardens and overseers for 2 yeares interrest for Ann Shemields money -	2	8	0
To the overseers of the poore by order of the townsmen att a meeting - - - - -	2	10	0
Payd Mr. Barlow for wyne presented to the Lord att the Mannor - - - - - -	1	4	0
Charges making and setting up the new church yates as by particulars appeares - - -	16	17	0
Lett out to Mr. Hall upon bond from him and John Stead - - - - - - - - -	100	0	0
Payd for the Juries Dynner - - - - -	0	10	0
To John Storie for chaineing up the Ladies bridge - - - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
For glaseing the Almeshouse windowes - -	0	0	8
For Dynner for the townsmen - - - - -	1	5	0
The Collectours Fee for 2 yeares - - - -	0	2	6
For Entring the Accompts - - - - -	0	10	0
To the Belman his Fee - - - - - -	0	4	0
To the Beadle his Fee - - - - - -	0	2	0
Summe totall of the Disbursements -[2]	149	19	2

Arrears vnreceiued for these 2 yeares

John Fryth 10s. Christopher Stewardson 4s. Idem 3s. John Hancock 7 li. 6s. 8d. Nicholas Topliffe 6s. 8d. Idem Nicholas 13s. 2d. John Tompson 3 li. 10s. 6d. Nicholas Tompson 1s. Widdow Belfield 2 li. 5s. 10d. Widdow Emerie 1s. John Shore 4s. Thomas Wilson 2 li. 3s. 9d. John Wigfall 3 li. 6s. Idem John 3 li. 14s. George Stevin 1 li. 10s. 6d. Thomas Roberts 14s. Thomas Hobson 4s. John Hanby 2 li. 13s. 4d. John Barnsley 5s. 4d. William Rodger 4 li. Georg Jackson 18 li. 10s. Widdow Bate 15s. John Halley 38 li. 15s. John Spencer 6s. 8d. Idem John 11s. John Taylor 1 li. 8s. James Barnes 2 li. 13s. 4d.

[P. 219.] Sum totall of the receipts which is the charge of this accompt is - - -	368	16	5

[1] "*Laggen*, the stave of a cask."—*Halliwell*. "*Lags* or *laggins*, the staves of a tub or cask."—Addy's *Sheffield Glossary*. [2] Wrongly cast.

	li.	s.	d.
The totall of Disbursements - - - - -	149	19	2
And of Arreares - - - - - - -	96	15	9
Summe totall of disbursements, and arrears, which is the discharge - - - - - -	246	14	11
Soe remaines in the Accomptantes hand to ballance the Accompt - - - - - -	122	1	6

which said summe of 122 li. 1s. 6d. was paid to Thomas Rawson at passing this Accompt and before and soe the Accompt cleared.

[P. 220.] The Burgerie of the town of Sheffield.—The Accompt of Mr. Thomas Rawson Collectour of the townes Rentes taken the Fifth day of July 1679 for the Rents and Revennues belonging to the said Burgesses for two yeares ending att Martinmas 1678.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with money received of Mr. Cooke preceding Collectour att makeing his Accompt - - - - - -	122	1	6
And with one whole yeares rent due att Martinmas 1677 - - - - - - - - -	35	17	4
Alsoe with another yeares rent due att Martinmas 1678 as by the Rentall appeares - -	35	18	4
And with Arreares upon the foote of the last Accompt - - - - - - - - -	96	15	9
And with money received of George Hutchinson for mentainance of Jonathan Bland who was apprentice with William Rogers - - -	5	0	0
And with 2 yeares interrest received of John Nodder for 100 li. - - - - - -	12	0	0
Alsoe of Thomas Lemons for 2 yeares interest for 20 li. - - - - - - - -	2	8	0
Alsoe of Nicholas Chow and Jonathan Whitlige for 2 yeares interrest for 30 li. - - -	3	0	0
Alsoe of George Brewell for interrest of 15 li. for 2 yeares - - - - - - - -	1	16	0
Alsoe with money received of Houmfrey Shore for 5 peeces of wood taken up att Ladies Bridge - - - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
Alsoe with money received of Thomas Jenings due upon bond with interrest for 12 years -	9	12	0
Alsoe with 2 yeares interrest of John and Nathaniel Styring for 20 li. - - - -	2	8	0
Alsoe with one yeares interrest received of Mr. William Adams for 100 li. - - - - -	6	0	0
Alsoe with money received of John Clayton in part of Jonas Yooles Bond - - - - -	1	0	0

	li.	s.	d.
Alsoe with interrest received of Mr. Robert Hall for six yeares - - - - - -	21	12	0
Summe totall of the Charge -	355	13	11
Whereof Disbursed			
Paid to 3 men for pulling down the wall sett up by Nicholas Bower att West barr[1] - -	0	3	0
Payd William Harvey and Godfrey Bright for makeing and plateing the Churchyates next to Samuell Barlowes - - - - - -	2	6	10½
Payd Richard Hynd for mending the way that millstones and draughts may pass to the mill sands - - - - - - - - - -	0	1	2
Charges disbursed about the Ladies bridge in the year 1677 as by Byll of particulars appears	10	9	10
For wyne, bear, and tobacco for Sir John Rearsby and other justices and servants, and hay and corn for their horses[2] - - - - -	4	2	6
[P. 221.] To Nathaniel Hewitt for dressing Flynt well and Townhead well for 2 yeares -	0	3	4
For a Rentall of townes land and Cheife - -	0	3	0
To the whaits of the towne for their wages for the yeare 1677 - - - - - - -	2	0	0
For worke done about the Almshouse in the yeare 1677 as by a note of perticulars appeares	1	12	2
To Richard Phillipps for dressing the Ladyes bridge and the streets against the Fayre -	0	2	6
For the Dynner for the town Jury at Easter 1677	0	12	6
For drawing their verdict - - - - -	0	2	6
For repair of the Ladyes bridge and Truelove Gutter in this year 1678 as by a byll of particulars appeares - - - - - - -	9	14	1
To Thomas Naw Godfrey Bright and William Harvey for mending of the Churchyates this			

[1] Apparently an encroachment on the highway.

[2] Sir John Reresby, Bart., of Thrybergh, had used his good offices with the court in the interest of the Sheffield cutlers, who felt the hearth tax oppressive. Reresby says in his diary, under date June 13th, 1677: "Having taken leave of the King and Duke [of York], I returned to Thrybergh. As soon as I arrived, the Corporation of Cutlers sent their master and officers to thank me for the good offices I had done them at London, with my Lord Treasurer, and would have made me a handsome present, but I refused to accept of it." Again, on August 25th, he says: "I went to dine at Sheffield, at the Cutlers' Feast, being invited by the Corporation, where I was received by the master and his assistants in the street, with loud music, the shouts of the rabble, and with ringing of bells; and after being conducted into the Town hall, was entertained with a very good dinner and great plenty of wine." It was probably on this occasion that the town contributed £4. 2s. 6d. Note the earliest mention of tobacco.

	li.	s.	d.
year att several tymes as by a Byll of particulars - - - - - - - - -	0	17	7
Payd to the Church Collectours vizt to George Wyld and Joseph Sturtevant for 2 yeares rent for the Workehouse - - - - - -	1	0	0
Payd the Overseers of the poore (vizt. William Quicksall and Robert Staniforth and Thomas Parkin and William Swynny) the interrest of Ann Shemield money towards putting out two apprentices in these two yeares - - -	2	8	0
For a new Rentall of the townes rent - -	0	2	6
For a new booke to enter the Cunstables Accompts in - - - - - - - -	0	6	0
To the town whaits for their yeares wages for the yeare 1678 - - - - - - -	2	10	0
To Thomas Webster for a yate pyke and Hoope for the water lane- - - - - - -	0	1	6
To the Jury att Easter 1678 for their Dynner and verdict - - - - - - - -	0	12	6
Payd for 3 Cloakes for the whaits and for makeing them as by a byll - - - -	6	0	10
The Collectours Fee for 2 yeares - - -	0	5	0
To the Bellman for 2 yeares - - - -	0	4	0
To the Beadle for the lyke - - - -	0	2	0
For the Dynner for those that were present att takeing this Accompt - - - - - -	1	5	0
For entering these Accompts - - - -	0	10	0
Summe totall of Disbursements - -	47	18	4½

Arrears uncollected to be allowed.

John Fryth 14s. Christopher Stewardson 7s. John Hancocke 7 li. 6s. 8d. Widdow Topliffe 19s. 10d. John Tompson 3 li. 10s. 6d. Nicholas Tompson 1s. William Sugden 2 li. 5s. 10d. Widdow Emery 1s. Stephen Leech 4s. Thomas Wilson 2 li. 8s. 9d. Widdow Wigfall 3 li. 6s. John Wigfall 3 li. 14s. George Stevin 1 li. 11s. 6d. Thomas Roberts 14s. Thomas Hobson 5s. John Hanby 2 li. 13s. 4d. [P. 222.] John Barnsley 5s. 4d. William Rodger 4 li. George Jackson 19 li. 6s. James Barnes 2 li. 13s. 4d. James Creswicke 1 li. 13s. 4d. Widdow Bate 15s. John Hawley 43 li. 15s. John Taylor 1 li 8s. William Allen 6d. Ann Hartley 1s. 6d. [Total] - - - 104 0 5

Money lett out by the Accompt.

To Mr. Henry Balguy[1] and Mr. George Fox upon bond dated 7th August 1677 - -	50	0	0

[1] Perhaps Henry Balguy, of Aston Hall, in the Parish of Hope.

				li.	s.	d.
To Mr. George Fox and Mr. Robert Hall upon bond Dated 23rd February 1677 - - -				50	0	0
To Mr. Robert Hall and Mr. George Fox upon bond Dated 1678, 13° August - - -				20	0	0
To Mr. Nathaniell Revell and Thomas Revell upon bond dated 23rd February 1678 - -				20	0	0
The Summe of moneys lett out by the Accomptant - - - - - - - -				140	0	0
Summe totall of the Charge of this Accompt as appears is - - - - - - - -				355	13	11
which is thus Discharged						
By Disbursements - - -	47	18	4½			
By Arrears - - - - -	104	0	5			
By money lett out - - -	140	0	0	291	18	9½
which taken from the abovesaid charge there remaines to ballance the Accompt - -				63	15	1½

[P. 223.] It is to be remembered that the 5th day of July 1679 att a publique meeting of the townsmen to take the accompt foregoeing It was agreed by the Townsmen present that Joseph Butler should be entred in the Rentall for a parcell of ground in the Westbarr Green att 12d. per annum and pay for 5 yeares past.

The said Joseph Butler did then promiss and agree to and with the said townsmen That he the said Joseph will build a dwelling house upon the said parcell of ground within seaven yeares next comeing Consisting of one bay of building at the least and place it as the town collectour for the tyme then being shall direct.

I doe agree to this order and Agreement above witness my hand [Signed] JOSEPH BUTLER.

Then Alsoe Agreed by the Townsmen present that when Edmund Lethwood leaves that part of the workhouse wherein he nowe dwells Mr. John Fisher shall be admitted tenant to the same.

Att a meeting the 30th day of December, 1679, att the Church,[1] there being then present Mr. William Sympson, Mr. William Cooke, Mr. Thomas Britland, Mr. John Wadsworth, Thomas Jennings younger, Joshua Bayes,[2] James Newton, Nepthah Chapman, Joseph Butler, John Sanderson, and

[1] It is worth noting that at and about this period the Church was used for public meetings.

[2] Joshua Bayes, cutler, his wife, one child, and one servant, were taxed £2. 16s. in the poll-tax of 1692. He was a prominent man among the Nonconformists, and Master Cutler in 1679; Town Collector 1683-84.

several other burgesses and cominaltie of the towne of Sheffield. It was agreed and ordered that the cunstables of the said towne shall only pay to the chief cunstable such money as shall hereafter become due for the said town, and not pay any for the parish but the severall cunstables in the parish shall pay everie one their severall proportions.

Then alsoe ordered that a letter be sent to Robert Greaves of Yorke to demaund mentainance for a childe of Ruth Wilkinsons which is chargeable to the towne of Sheffield or otherwaies that the bond will be put in suit against him wherein he and Jo. Blackburn stands bound to secure the said town against the said Ruth and her childe or children, &c.

Dec. 24, 1684 [in the margin.] Then also ordered that all assessments to be made hereafter for the town of Sheffield, that the bookes thereof be made by the Towne Clarke, and entered in a booke provided for the same purpose. [1] Also, that if any other writing belonging to the Town shall be made by any other than the towne's Clark without order of the Townsmen or consent of the Towne Clarke they that cause them to be done shall pay for them att their own charg.

[P. 224.] *Ordered.* Att a meeteing of the Burgesses or Free tenants of the town of Sheffield the second day of January 1687 [2] then present Thomas Jenings Junior Mr. William Sympson Mr. Thomas Chappell Mr. George Lee Thomas Rawson Thomas Jenings Senior Mr. Francis Barlow Samuel Barlow Thomas Britland Nepthah Chapman Zacharia Wilson Charles Clayton and others that an evictment be brought by Mr. Sympson against all the tenants now inhabiteing any part of the workehouse belonging to the said Town besydes what is in Mr. Fishers occupation.

May 6, 1681.—Att a meeting of the Burgesses or Free tenants it was agreed and ordered that the Town Collector give notice to the overseers of the high ways yearely att their entrance to their offices that they doe appoint certain dayes for their Commoning the High waies and give publique notice to the Town thereof by the belman and also doe make an assessment, and that if any Townsman neglect to send such labourers as the law requires and deny to pay their assessmentes that the said overseers doe present them or otherwise that they pay their said assessmentes themselves.[3]

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[1] This last sentence is in a different hand. This is the first time the Clerk to the Burgery is called the Town Clerk.

[2] Altered from 1680. [Certainly more like "7" than "1," but doubtless intended for the historic year 1681.]

[3] By an Act of 2 and 3 Philip and Mary (1555) called "The Statute for mending of Highways," the constables and churchwardens were directed

The same day.—Then ordered that the Town Collector doe procure a scavenger to keep the streets clean for the year ensuing and pay him for his wages not exceeding Twentie Shillings.

[P. 225.] An'o 1679 and 1680.

The Burgerie of the town of Sheffield.—The Accompt of Thomas Jenings Collectour there taken the Six and twentieth day of December 1681 for the Rents and Revennues belonging to the said Burgerie for two whole yeares ended att Martinmas 1680.

The Charge.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money received last reckoning - -	63	15	1½
Alsoe with Arrears upon the last Accompt -	104	0	5
Alsoe with one yeares rent due att Martinmas 1679 by the Rentall - - - - - -	36	4	4
Alsoe one other yeares rent due at Martinmas 1680 - - - - - - - - -	47	12	4
Alsoe with 30 li. received of Jonathan Whitlidge being a Debt due from Nicholas Chow, and Interrest due for the same - - - -	30	19	0
Alsoe with 100 li. received of John Nodder and Interrest for one yeare nyne monthes and 2 weekes - - - - - - - - -	110	15	0
Alsoe with 15 li. due from George Brewell and interrest - - - - - - - -	15	7	4
Alsoe with 2 years interrest due from Mr. Addams for 100 li. - - - - - -	12	0	0
Alsoe with 20 li. received of Joseph Ward being a debt due from Jeremiah Ward and with interrest for the same - - - - - -	29	6	6

to appoint days for amending the highways, and "openly in the church to give knowledge of the same days," and the surveyors were to order and direct the persons working on those days. Every occupier within the parish is declared proportionably liable to contribute labour. Every Court Leet shall inquire of all offences against the statute, and assess fines and forfeitures. This Act was first passed to continue seven years. In 1563 it was continued for twenty years, and in 1586 it was made perpetual. In 1662 another Highway Act was passed, directing "that the Churchwardens and Constables or Tythingmen of every Parish, Town, Village, or Hamlet, for the time being, shall, upon Monday or Tuesday in the Easter week, yearly; whereof notice shall be publicly given the Sunday foregoing in the Church, with the advice and consent of the major part of the inhabitants which shall be then present, choose two or more sufficient and able persons, residing and inhabiting within their parish, &c., to be Surveyors of their highways for the year next ensuing." We may judge from the memorandum that there had been some irregularity in fixing the days for the common work or team work, and in making the assessment.

	li.	s.	d.
Alsoe with 2 yeares and a halfe interrest of Mr. Nathaniell Revell for 20 li. - - - -	3	0	0
Alsoe with 20 li. received of Henry Ashton and William Hobsons widdow due and interrest for the same - - - - - - - -	27	13	0
Alsoe with 60 li. received of Mr. Robert Hall due upon one bond and with interrest for the same for one year - - - - - - -	63	12	0
Alsoe with 2 yeares interrest received of Thomas Lemons for 20 li. for 2 yeares - - -	2	8	0
Alsoe with a yeares interrest for 50 li. received of Thomas Eyre - - - - - - -	3	0	0
And with 2 yeares interrest received of John Styring for 20 li. pro a yeare - - - -	2	8	0
[Total] - - -	552	1	0½

Disbursed as followeth :

Paid Thomas Parkin, overseer of the poor, to defray the charges of Bland boy, tabled att Robert Fisher's, £1. 13s. 7d., and laid out for him more to Thomas Taylor, who tables him now, £7. 12s. 4d. - - - - - - -	9	5	11
Paid Mr. Pegg for wyne sent to the Earle of Arundell - - - - - - - -	0	18	0
To Stephen Allen, for a veale and a mutton to send to him - - - - - - - -	1	8	6
For 2 new boxes to put writings in - - -	0	4	0
For a new Rentall and a booke of cheife rents in parchment - - - - - - -	0	4	0
Paid Mr. Roger Lee for rent for the worke-house - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
[P. 226.] Paid for a book for entring Accompts in - - - - - - - - - -	0	3	6
Spent att a meeting of the townsmen - -	0	1	5
Charges of the Dynner for the Burgesses when they viewed the towns lands - - - -	1	6	6
Spent with Jonathan Whitledge when he paid of his bond - - - - - - - -	0	0	6
Paid the overseers of the poore the interrest of An Shemields money for the yeare 1679 -	1	4	0
Spent att a meeting at the Cutlers' Hall,[1] about the leases - - - - - - -	0	12	6

[1] This is the earliest mention in this volume of the Cutlers' Hall. The hall was built by the Cutlers' Company in 1638, and cost £150. 15s. 11d. It was erected on the site of some old houses belonging to the Burgery, opposite the south side of the Church. This continued to be the hall of the company till 1726, when it was pulled down and a new one built, the predecessor of the present Cutlers' Hall.

	li.	s.	d.
For the Juries Dynner and verdict at Easter 1679	0	12	6
Paid the ringers for ringing when the Duke of Norfolk was over [1]	0	3	0
Paid Mr. Wadsworth for his horse hyre to Yorke for Immanuel Hobson, when he went about Tymothie Peniston	0	6	0
Paid to John Wynter and Joseph Downes Churchwardens for the yeare 1679	1	18	0
Paid to the Overseers of the Highwaies the same yeare	3	0	0
Charges of John Styring going to Doncaster about Fitzwilliam's land	0	2	0
To James Newton, by order of the Burgesses, towards paving the Hartshead	3	0	0
Paid Mr. Spencer for a yeares rent for the workehouse 1680	0	10	0
Paid Mr. Pegg for wyne sent to the Duke of Norfolke	1	0	0
Paid for the Juries verdict and Dynner att Easter 1680	0	12	6
Paid Anthony Hall and Thomas Bullas Churchwardens for 1680	3	7	0
To Richard Phillipps for dressing the Churchyates	0	2	0
To George Broadbent and William Taylor overseers of the poore interrest of Ann Shemields money for the yeare 1680	1	4	0
To George Stones for mending the Churchyates	0	5	10
Paid Houmfrey Shore for makeing a sough [2] to the pinfold	0	3	8
For wood and mending the Fold doore	0	1	4
Paid Edward Wainwright for extraordinarie service	0	10	0
for making a wall att the Watrie lane and a peece of wood to lay over the water	0	3	4
Paid for a horn for the Swynheard [3]	0	1	6
To George Stones for mending the Churchyates	0	6	2
Paid for pointing the Bridge	5	10	6

[1] The payment to Mr. Pegg, for wine, for the Earl of Arundel, and the payment to the ringers when the Duke of Norfolk was at the Manor indicate the period at which the Earl of Arundel succeeded to the Dukedom of Norfolk. Thomas, the fifth Duke, died at Padua, 13th Dec., 1677,

[2] Sough = a drain.

[3] The swineherd was a public officer who had charge of the pigs of the burgesses when pasturing on the common land, of which there was then a great extent around Sheffield.

	li.	s.	d.
For dressing it severall tymes and other work and tyme and materialls for it - - -	4	3	4
[P. 227.] To Daniell Bridges towards making a foot cawsey from Milnsands head towards Brigghouse - - - - - - - -	1	10	10
Paid John Taylor towards repair of the Irish cross - - - - - - - - -	1	0	0
Paid Mr. Ashton for rent for the workehouse 1681	0	10	0
Paid the Cheite rent to Mr. Bamforth which is yet uncollected for 1680 - - - - -	20	15	2½
Charges laid out at Yorke by John Styring and others attending the Commissioners for Charitable uses[1] - - - - - - -	2	17	2
Paid for hyre of a horse for Edward Wainwright to Yorke - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
Paid Hearth money for that part of the Workehouse late in Lethwoods occupacion for 4 halfe yeares - - - - - - - -	0	12	0
Charges about repairing the workhouse to make it tenentable - - - - - - -	44	18	5
Paid the whaits for 2 yeares and an halfe from Lady Day 1679 - - - - - - -	7	5	0
Paid for dressing the Almes house after a Great raine - - - - - - - - -	0	1	6
Paid Mr. Pegg for severall treat of persons of Quallitie who came to the towne - - -	8	16	3
Charges or repaires of the Truelove Gutter -	3	3	0
For repaireing and dressing the Flynt well -	0	12	11
For repaires and stone and other materialls for Barker poole and for dressing it - - -	8	18	4
For 43 warrantes writeing to summon the tenants before the Commissioners for Charitable vses and serveing - - - - - - -	1	1	6
The Collectours Fee for 2 yeares - - -	0	5	0
For the Dynner for those who were present att Entring this Accompt - - - - - -	1	5	0
To the Bellman for his Fee for 2 yeares - -	0	4	0
To the Beadle for the lyke - - - - -	0	2	0
For entring this Accompt - - - - -	0	10	0
Lett out this year by the Accomptant to Mr. Thomas Eyre upon bond - - - - -	50	0	0
Summe totall of the Discharge - -	179	4	3
Summe of the Charge as appeares is - -	552	1	0½
And of the Discharge as above - - -	179	4	3
Arreares vncollected - - - - - -	127	7	1
[Total] - - -	306	11	4

[1] See the Commission and Decree of Charitable Uses, *supra*, pp. 4 to 12.

[P. 228.] Summe totall of the Charge of the	li.	s.	d.
Accompt on the other syde is - - -	552	1	0½
And of Disbursements - - - - -	179	4	3
Alsoe of Arreares - - - - - -	127	7	1
Totall - - -	306	11	4
which taken from the abovesaid Charge there remaines to ballance the Accompt - -	245	9	8½

which said summe of 245 li. 9s. 8½d. was paid to Lionell Revell Collector for the succeeding yeare and soe this Accompt is discharged (errors excepted).

[P. 229.] The Burgerie of Sheffield.—The Accompt of Lionell Revell Collector of the townes rents taken the 25th day of May 1682 for the Rents and Revennues belonging to the said Burgesses for one yeare ending att Martinmas 1681.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with money received of Thomas Jenings the preceding Collector att passing his Accompts - -	245	9	8½
Alsoe with Arreares Remaineinge upon the foot of the last Accompt - - - - - -	127	7	1
And with one whole yeares rent as by the Rentall appeares - - - - - - -	47	9	10
Alsoe with 2 yeares interrest received of Mr. William Addams for 100 li. - - - - -	12	0	0
Alsoe with a yeares interrest received of Mr. Eyre for 50 li. - - - - - - -	3	0	0
Alsoe with a yeares interrest received of John Styring for 20 li. - - - - - - -	1	4	0
And with halfe a yeares interrest received of Mr. Nathaniel Revell for 20 li. - - - -	0	12	0
[Total] - - -	437	2	7½
Whereof Disbursed as followeth			
Charges of Stepps makeing att the [1] and for paveing about the same for wood iron worke and getting away the Rubbish - -	5	3	5
Paid the Townes whaits for their halfe yeares wages - - - - - - - - - -	1	0	0
Paid for removeing of Rubbish from the Bulstake - - - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
To James Barnes for mending the Hand Bell -	0	1	0
For mending the Truelove Gutter with Lyme and sand - - - - - - - - -	0	0	6

[1] Perhaps the Bridge or the Church gates.

	li.	s.	d.
For dressing the Ladies Bridge - - -	0	0	8
To James Curtis for taking the number of communicants - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
for a new Rentall - - - - - - -	0	2	6
For fyre att the Hall for severall meetings of the townsmen there[1] - - - - - -	0	0	8
Spent with Mr. Hall - - - - - -	0	0	4
To Nathan Huit for dressing of Flynt well -	0	1	0
To the overseers of the poor the interrest of Ann Shemield money - - - - - -	1	4	0
Charges of treating Mr. Negus the Earle of Arrundells Commissioner - - - - -	1	12	10
Paid for a warrant against George Broadbent -	0	0	4
To Bland boy att Thomas Taylors - - -	0	2	0
To the Jurie att the Great Court Leet for their verdict and Dynner - - - - - -	0	12	6
To a boy for bringing a letter from Mr. Eyr of Shatton - - - - - - - -	0	0	2
To the Church collector for rent for the workhouse - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
The Collectours Fee - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Beadle for his Fee - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Bellman for his Fee - - - - -	0	2	0
To the Clarke for Entring these Accompts -	0	5	0
Money lett out to twentie Scissorsmiths upon bond as by the same bond appeares[2] - -	200	0	0

[P. 230.] The Accomptant caves (sic) an allowance of these severall summes following being charged in this Accompt and remitted by the Burgesses upon their Contracts for new Leases.

John Firth 5s. Christopher Stewardson 3s. 6d. Widdow Emerie 3s. Daniell Bridges being the Lords 1s. Alsoe William Yealand claimed by the Lord 2s. 6d. William Rodgers now Robert Turner answered by increase of rent 4 li. An Badger the lyke 2 li. 18s. 8d. Thomas Shertcliff an Arrear mischarged 2 li. 10s. Alsoe his rent due att Martinmas 1681 allowed towards his charges in repairs 2 li. 10s. Alsoe an Arrear upon John Halley left 45 li.

[Total] - - -	57	13	8

[1] In Harrison's *Survey of the Manor of Sheffield*, dated 29th Sept., 1637, eleven persons are enumerated as holding each a shop "under Sheffeild Towne hall," and paying rents varying from 2s. to 28s. Another entry says: "George Jackson holdeth at will a part of a cottage lying next the towne house towards the west and payeth yearly iiijd."

[2] Written in the margin £211. 6s. 11d.

Arrears to be respited.

Francis Brownell 6s. John and Thomas Brownell 9s. George Brucke 1s. 6d. John Courtnal and his sonnes 5s. John Hancocke 7 li. 14s. 8d. Widdow Toppliffe 1 li. 1s. 10d. John Tompson 3 li. 10s. 6d. William Sugden 2 li. 7s. 6d. Thomas Wilson 2 li. 16s. 3d. John Wigfall 3 li. 14s. Widdow Wigfall now Smith 3 li. 6s. Widdow Sorbie 3s. Thomas Bower 1 li. 14s. 6d. Margret and Hannah Roberts 19s. Ralph Shore 7s. James Hobson 6s. John Hicke 3s. Mr. Fisher 7 li. Idem late Lethwood 7 li. 10s. Widdow Owen 1s. 6d. James Tuke 4d. Joan Stevinson 2d. George Jackson 20 li. 10s. Ann Badger 14s. James Barnes 2 li. 18s. 4d. Joseph Hancocke 1s. Widdow Bate 15s. Widdow Whitehead 6d. John Taylor 1 li. 16s.

[Total] - - -	70	11	7
Charge. The Charge of this Accompt as appeares is, - - - - - - -	437	2	7½
Discharge. Disbursements as in particulars appeares are, - - - - - - -	211	6	11
Allowances alsoe - - - - - -	57	13	8
And Arreares to be respited - - - -	70	11	7
totall - - -	339	12	2
which being taken from the abovesaid Charge there remaines in the Accomptants hands to ballance this Accompt - - - - -	97	10	5

[P. 231.] August 15th 1682.—It is to be remembred that Mr. Samuell Baies did by his will bequeath unto the Poore of the Town of Sheffield Ten Poundes to be paid by his brother Joshua his executor, which said Ten pounds the said Joshua paid to Lionell Revell Town Collector the day and yeare above said.

24 January 1682(3).—Then agreed by the Townsmen att a publique meeteing That Mr. Thomas Pegg shall have libertie to sett up Pillars before his house near the Irish Cross Provided that the Town Collector with 3 or 4 freeholders of the towne with him doe first sett out and appoint how the same shall be placed and agree of a rent for the ground and soe as it may be noe prejudice to the Lords tenants.[1]

[A note in pencil in a modern hand says :—]
Incroachment at the Angel Inn, afterwards purchased by the Towns Trustees, although apparently belonging to the Town.

[1] It is interesting to find that Pegg kept the Angel Inn. It seems to have been the best inn in the town. On the 21st of May, 1700, the Parish Register records the death of "Christopherus Pegge, Vintinor, de Sheffield."

[P. 232.] Sheffield.—The Accompt of Lionell Revell Collector of the Townes rents taken there the 23rd day of May Anno Domini 1683 for the rents and revennues belonging to the Burgesses or free tenants of the said towne for one whole yeare then ending

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with money in his hand att passing his last accompt - -	97	10	5½
Alsoe with Arreares then uncollected - -	70	11	7
Alsoe with one whole yeares rent - - -	47	6	0
Alsoe of Mr. Eyre of Shatton for Principall and Interrest due from him upon bond - -	51	2	6
Alsoe of Mr. Robert Hall principall and interrest due from him and John Stead - - -	142	0	0
Alsoe of Thomas Mathyman towards charges expended about the Commission for Charitable uses - - - - - - - - -	3	0	0
Alsoe of Joshua Baies a legacie given by his brother Mr. Samuell Baies to the poore of Sheffield - - - - - - - -	10	0	0
Alsoe of Widdow Wembersley of Fisshlake towards mentainance of John Bland - -	5	0	0
Alsoe a yeares interrest received of Mr. Nathaniell Revell for 20 li. - - - - - -	1	4	0
Alsoe of Thomas Lemons for 2 yeares - -	2	8	0
Alsoe of the Scissersmiths for a yeares Interrest for 200 li. onely 2s. 6d. unpaid by William Ward of the Red Crofte deducted - -	11	17	6
Alsoe with a yeares interrest for 20 li. received of John Styring - - - - - - -	1	4	0
The Summe of the Charge is -	443	4	0½

Whereof Disbursed

Paid for 2 cloakes for the whaits and makeing - - - - - - - - -	5	9	0
Paid the remainder of Blands money to the overseers of the poore 12s. 1d. and layd out for him 4s. 8d. - - - - - - -	0	16	9
Paid for a hand bell and carriage up and downe from London[1] - - - - - - -	0	14	10
Paid for Stones and paveing about the Pinfold - - - - - - - - -	0	10	6
Paid the Townes Whaits - - - - -	2	5	0
Paid for a new Rentall - - - - - -	0	2	6
Paid Mr. Pegg for wyne upon his Bill - -	2	16	0

[1] The town crier or bellman was an official paid by the Burgery, and this was probably a new bell for his use.

	li.	s.	d.
To Thomas Webster for a Yate for the water Lane head[1] - - - - - - - -	0	1	10
To the Ringers for Ringing when the Duke of Norfolk was att the Hospitall[2] - - -	0	5	0
For a letter to Fisshlake - - - - - -	0	1	4
Spent with Mr. Negroe[3] being with him about the viccaridge - - - - - - -	0	8	0
To Phillipps for dressing the Church yates -	0	1	0
To Mr. Pegg for wyne for the gentlemen who came to the Cutlers' feast - - - - -	4	6	8
To William Harvey for worke done att the Pinfold and Churchyates - - - - -	0	3	6½
more for a lock and key &c. for Barker poole -	0	1	2
For Feying and dressing Flynt well - -	0	1	8
Paid Mr. Bacon for charges in sueing out the Commission for Charitable uses - - -	10	0	0
For sending a letter to Mr. Adams - - -	0	0	4
For dressing the Ladies Bridge and Churchyates	0	2	2
For a messinger to the Church Burgesses -	0	1	0
Paid for soweing[4] the Barker poole and other worke done about the poole - - - - -	7	16	9¼
To the overseers of the poore beinge interrest of Ann Shemields money - - - - - -	1	4	0
[P. 233.] For cleanseing the Almeshouse after a great flood - - - - - - -	0	2	6
For the verdict and Dynner of the Jury att the great Inquest - - - - - - -	0	12	6
Spent att a meeting of the Burgesses att Zachariah Wilsons - - - - - - -	0	1	0
Paid Jackson the scavenger - - - - -	1	0	0
Paid the rent of the workehouse - - - -	0	10	0
The Collectours Fee - - - - - -	0	2	6
For Entring the Accompts - - - - -	0	5	0
To the Bellman and Beadle - - - - -	0	3	0
For the dynner for those that were present att entring these accompts - - - - -	1	5	0
Money lett out to Robert Turner upon bond -	10	0	0
Alsoe to severall persons upon bond for the use of the Storehouse - - - - - - -	200	0	0
Summe totall of moneys disbursed and lett out	251	8	11

[1] Gates in the town streets were probably to keep cattle, pasturing in the common fields, from straying into the town.—See Blashill's *Sutton-in-Holderness*, p. 227.

[2] Probably the Shrewsbury Hospital, built about 1665.

[3] The same person as Mr. Negus, the Earl of Arundel's Commissioner, mentioned in 1681.

[4] Making a drain.

Arrears to be deducted.

John Stevin 13s. 4d. Georg Brucke 2s. Joshua Hicke 5s. 6d. John Hancocke 7 li. 14s. 8d. Widdow Topliffe 1 li. 1s. 10d. John Tompson 3 li. 10s. 5d. William Sugden 2 li. 5s. 10d. Thomas Wilson 2 li. 18s. 9d. John Wigfall 3 li. 14s. Widdow Smyth 3 li. 6s. Widdow Soobie 3s. Thomas Bower 1 li. 14s. 6d. Margret and Hannah Roberts 19s. James Hobson 5s. Mr. John Fisher 5 li. James Tuke 6d. Joan Stevenson 2d. Georg Jackson 2 li. 2s. James Barnes 2 li. 18s. 4d. Ann Badger 14s. Widdow Whitehead 6d. John Taylor 1 li. 8s. Widdow Bate 15s. - 59 12 5

Summe totall of the Charge of this Accompt as appeares is - - - - - - -	443	4	0½
which is thus discharged:			
By moneys disbursed and lett out upon bond -	251	8	11
Alsoe by Arreares vnreceived - - - -	59	12	5
Summe of discharg - -	311	1	4
which taken from the abovesaid Charge there remaines in the Accomptants hands to ballance the Accompt - - - - -	132	2	8½

which was paid to Joshua Baies att passing this Accompt who is chosen Collector for the ensueing year and soe the Accompt stands cleare.

June 18th 1683.—Att a meeteing of the Townsmen then present Mr. William Cooke, Mr. Thomas Britland, Mr. George Lee, Joshua Baies, Lyonell Revell, John Trippett, Godfrey Creswick, Richard Roberts, Anthony Hall, Edward Creswicke, Edward Badger, Georg Pearson and Robert Ellis there being a dispute about a middinstead adioyneing to Georg Brucks house whether the same did of right belong to Francis Brownell or to the said George Brucke. It appeared to the satisfaction of all the freeholders aforenamed That the tenants right of the said Middenstead did belong to George Brucke and ought to goe with the house in his occupacion whereto it adioynes.

Then ordered by the persons abovesaid That Mr. Thomas Diston shall have a Lease of the aforesaid house and middenstead (with the consent of the said George Brucke and his sonnes) for the term of 100 years under the yearly rent of [left blank] with ordinary covenants and alsoe a Covenant that the said Mr. Diston doe disburse to the wallers 4s. (?) in buildinge upon the place. The said Mr. Diston promised to submitt to such rent as att next meeting shall be agreed on.

[P. 234.] 20° Marcii 1683.—At a publique meeting of the Freeholders and Free tenants of the Towne of Sheffeild it is ordered and agreed by them vizt. Mr. William Simpson, Mr. Thomas Chappell, Mr. William Cooke, Mr. Thomas Bretland, Mr. George Lee, John Webster, Mr. Robert Sowerbie, Mr. Lionell Revell, Zachariah Wilson, Josuah Bayes, James Newton, Samuell Staniforth, Edward Badger, and Joseph Butler, and others That the said Joshua Bayes, Mr. Richard Bacon, Mr. Thomas Bretland, and Mr. Thomas Marriott, and the churchwardens for the tyme being, or any three of them, to view the several houses and lands held of the viccar of Sheffield aforesaid, and to certifie the townes men of the respective values of the same houses at the next publique meeting.

It is further ordered by the Free Tenants aforesaid That the said Josuah Bayes the present Towne Collector shall pay unto Steven Newton as a gratuity to the viccar aforesaid the summe of foure poundes due for some extraordinary worke done about repaireing the viccaridge of Sheffeild.[1]

[Present] Burgesses 20; other townsmen 10 and upwards.—

Sheffield 18 September 1684.—It was then agreed by vote of the Town Burgesses and other the inhabitants within the Town, being above 30 in number, That all such persons as shall be, by Councell learned in the law, adjudged to be meant to be Free Tenants in the Townes pattent from the Lord Furnevall, shall be defended from paying any tolls for their standing in the marketts att the cost and charges of the said Towne.

Also that in case the Tenant to the Castle Ortchards, and Tolls, or either of them, shall refuse to pay assessments, that such course shall be taken to recover the same as the Law shall direct.

[P. 235.] Sheffield.—The Accompt of Joshua Baies Collectour of the townes rents taken there the fowerth day of June Anno Domini 1685 for the Rents and Revennues belonging to the Burgesses or Free tenants of the said town being for Two years then ending.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with money received of Lionell Revell att the last reckoning	132	2	8½

[1] Many payments will be noticed during the following years for repairs of the vicarage, and towards the vicar's "wage." The living of Sheffield was at that time a very poor one, and the Burgesses do not then appear to have made it a rule to refrain from all expenditure of an ecclesiastical nature. For example, we shall find them, on the 9th May, 1722, subscribing towards the erection of St. Paul's Church.

	li.	s.	d.
Alsoe with Arreares then in the tenants handes vnreceived - - - - - - - -	59	12	5
Alsoe with 2 yeares rent, vizt. 1683 and 1684 as by the Rentalls appeares - - - -	95	4	10
Alsoe received of Mr. George Fox principall and interrest - - - - - - - -	65	12	6
Alsoe of Mr. Addams principall and interrest money - - - - - - - - -	107	10	0
Alsoe of Mr. Fox more for interrest of 20 li. till August 13° 1683, And of 53 li. till August 7° 1683 for 2 yeares - - - - - - -	24	0	0
Alsoe of Mr. Nathaniell Revell for interrest of 20 li. for 2 yeares - - - - - - -	2	8	0
Alsoe of John Styring for 2 yeares interrest for 20 li. - - - - - - - - -	2	8	0
Alsoe of John Crooke and James Broadbent the remainder of money in their hands collected towards repaires of the viccaridge - - -	1	4	6
Alsoe of Mr. Green for interrest of 50 li. for nyne monthes - - - - - - - - -	4	10	0
Alsoe received towards the 200 li. lent to severall tradesmen upon Bond, vizt. of John Webster, senior 20 li. William Byrley 10 li. Robert Nicholls 20 li. Edward Badger 20 li. Joseph Butler 20 li. Widdow Arnold 20 li. Thomas Johnson 20 li. John Wynter 20 li. - - - - - - - -	150	0	0
Alsoe received of Robert Turner for 2 yeares interrest for 10 li. - - - - - - -	1	4	0
Alsoe of John Clayton 10s. and George Metcalfe 10s. in part of a debt upon Jonas Yoole -	1	0	0
Summe totall of receipts - -	646	16	11½
Whereout disbursed as followeth			
To Joshua Hick towards repaires of the Highway by the Burgesses order - - - -	5	8	0
To William Woodhouse for care of William Wilkinsons legg - - - - - - -	3	0	0
Paid for mending the way at Crooksmoore -	0	2	6
To John Wynter towards entertaining The Lords and gentlemen att the Cutlers Feast[1]	6	10	0
For paveing and leading stone to and about the Church yates- - - - - - - -	1	7	2

[1] Among the guests at John Winter's feast were the Duke of Norfolk, Lords Clifford, Coniers, Castleton, and Hexington; the Hon. Sydney Wortley Montague, Sir Henry Marwood, Sir William Wyvill, Sir Ralph Knight, and others.

	li.	s.	d.
For water worke done about the Isle of Wight [1]	11	5	3
To Robert Nicholls and Samuell Staniforth, overseers of the poore, towards relief of the necessitous poore in the storm - - -	20	0	0
For repair of the Pinfold and leading stones -	1	16	0
For hookes and breaking the ice above the bridge att the break of the storm [2] - -	0	7	6
To the Jury att the Great Leets for their Dynner and verdict - - - - - - - -	1	7	0
To the Viccar by order of the Townesmen in parte of wages - - - - - - -	10	0	0
To Stephen Newton for worke done about the viccaridge house - - - - - - -	3	12	3
To Andrew Dyson for plaister worke there -	0	11	6
[P. 236.] To Richard Dodworth for worke done there alsoe - - - - - - -	0	1	5
To Widdow Pointon for the glass worke - -	0	15	7
To the overseers of the poore for 2 years being interrest of Ann Shemields money - -	2	8	0
To John Trippett and George Hewitt churchwardens upon their Byll - - - -	3	17	8
Spent upon his Grace the Duke of Norfolkes Commissioners att Mr. Rawsons - - -	1	0	0
For a days work about Barker poole - -	0	1	0
Paid Widdow Shawre in full of all Demands for worke done by her husband att the viccaridge	22	0	0
Charges expended on the Coronation day of our Sovereign Lord King James the Second as by particulars appeares [3] - - - -	32	14	10

[1] The Isle of Wight, otherwise the Isle, lay just above the Lady's Bridge on the Sheffield side, where the Exchange Brewery now stands. It was an island because the water of the mill goyt separated it from the mainland. In 1697 Peter Whalley an engineer, of Nottingham, formed a scheme for pumping the water of the river from this point up to a reservoir near Barker pool, whence it would be distributed in pipes through the town. Whalley's scheme came to nothing owing to his death, but the attempt was continued afterwards without much success. The expenditure of so large a sum as £11. 5s. 3d. mentioned in the text, near the place afterwards selected by Whalley for his attempt, seems to indicate that at this earlier date of 1684 some thoughts of supplying the town with water from the river Don had been entertained by the burgesses.

[2] "1684-5, 1st January. It proved so sharp weather, and so long and cruel a frost, that the Thames was frozen across, but the frost was often dissolved, and then froze again."—Evelyn's *Diary*, vol. II, p. 213. Bohn's edition. Thoresby in his *Diary* (vol. II, p. 423) records a walk on the ice on the river at Leeds and under the bridge on Jan. 4, adding "the like continued frost having not been known, or scarce heard of in these parts."

[3] James II. succeeded to the throne 6th February, 1685.

	li.	s.	d.
To the ringers that day - - - - - -	1	0	0
For 2 yeares rent for the workehouse - -	1	0	0
Paid att James Lees for a treat for the Lord Castleton[1] - - - - - - - - -	1	5	6
To the Ringers - - - - - - -	0	2	6
Paid for dressing the wares att the storehouse taken in part of the 200 li. debt from scissorsmiths - - - - - - - - - -	0	6	0
Expences att meeting in the town - - -	0	5	0
To the whaits for 2 yeares sallarie - - -	4	0	0
Paid Harvey for mending the Church yates severall tymes - - - - - - -	0	9	8
For Dressing Churchyates and getting the Rubbish away - - - - - - -	0	1	4
To Shertcliffe for fyre att meetings - - -	0	1	0
To George Stones for mending the Hand bell -	0	1	10
Paid for repairing the West barr well - -	2	10	0
For repaireing the Townhead well - - -	4	12	0
For dressing other wells - - - - - -	0	3	7
For glaseing pointing and mossing the Almeshouses - - - - - - - - - -	1	14	6
For boards and workmanshipp about the same - - - - - - - - - -	0	6	6
For worke done about the bridge and leading stone paveing and getting away the rubbish -	7	6	4
For dressing the Ladies Bridge and carrying away the Earth - - - - - - -	0	3	8
To Prince Jackson wife which she claymed as due to her husband - - - - - -	0	9	9
Alsoe the Accompte craves allowance of 13s. 4d. Arrear upon Thomas Mathyman allowed to him by the Burgesses - - - - - -	0	13	4
For 2 new Rentalls of the Land and a Rentall of Cheife in parchment - - - - - -	0	6	6
For severall other writeings in these 2 yeares past as appeares by the particulars - -	0	18	6
For Entring these Accompts - - - - -	0	10	0
The Collectours Fee for 2 years - - - -	0	5	0
The Beadles Fee - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
The Bellmans Fee - - - - - - - -	0	4	0
For Dynner for those who were present att takeing this Accompt - - - - - -	1	5	0
Money lett out to Mr. Girald Murfey - -	50	0	0
Summe disbursed is - -	208	9	2

[1] George Viscount Castleton, of Sandbeck, d. 27th May, 1714.

[P. 237.] Arrears vnreceived

Francis Brownell 7s. 6d. John Stevin 2 li. Mr. Diston 2s. Joshua Hicke 11s. John Courtnall 8s. 9d. John Hancock 7 li. 18s. 8d. Mathew Berry 1 li. 1s. 10d. John Tompson 4 li. 0s. 6d. Idem a Garden 1s. William Sugden 2 li. 7s. 6d. Widdow Emerie 6d. Thomas Wilson 3 li. 3s. 9d. James Webster 1s. John Wigfall 3 li. 14s. Robert Hydes 3 li. 6s. Widdow Soobie 7s. Thomas Bower 1 li. 18s. 6d. Margrett and Hannah Roberts 19s. James Hobson 5s. 6d. Nicholas Heathcoate 1s. 5d. Mr. John Fisher 5 li. John Jeffcocke 3d. Thomas Jeffcocke 2d. James Tuke 10d. Joan Steemson 2d. Robert Turner 18s. 4d. Georg Jackson 20 li. 18s. James Barnes 3 li. 8s. 4d. Ann Badger 14s. William Allen 9d. James Creswick 1 li. Widdow Whitehead 6d. Thomas Pegg 4s. John Taylor 1 li. 8s. Georg Metcalfe 1 li. 17s. 6d. Thomas Berrie 3s. Widdow Bate 15s. Georg Crooke 2s. 6d.

[Total arrears]- -	69	6	9
The Totall of the Charg of this Accompt as appeares in particulars is - - - -	646	16	11½
The totall of the disbursements and payments as aforesaid is - - - - - -	208	9	2
And of the Arrears alsoe as above - - -	69	6	9
Totall of Discharge - -	277	15	11
Soe remaines in the Accomptants hands to ballance the Accompt - - - - -	369	1	0½

which was paid to Mr. Francis Barlow for the use of Mr. Sympson Collector for the succeeding yeare att passing the Accompt abovesaid.

Aug. 13° 1685.—The day and year above said William Abbott and Edward Atkin, overseers of the poore, acquainted the townesmen that William Taylor and his partners refuse to pay their assessments for the tolls of the market, and it was then ordered and agreed by the townsmen present, (viz., Mr. Francis Barlow, Mr. Thomas Britland, Mr. Thomas Rawson, Mr. Robert Soresbie, Lionell Revill, Zachariah Wilson and James Newton) that the said William Abbott and Edward Atkin doe procure a warrant against the farmers of the said tolls and bynd them to the Sessions, and prosecute the same legally for recovering the said assessment, and that the said William Abbott and Edward Atkin be secured by the town for doing the same.

[P. 238.] Sheffield 1686.—The accompt of Mr. William Sympson, collector of the Rents belonging to the Trustees

appointed[1] by a decree of charitable uses bearing date the sixth day of September in the 33rd year of the reign of our late Sovereign Lord King Charles the Second over England, &c. for Lands given to charitable uses and other publique uses within the town of Sheffield in the Countie of York for one year ending the 20th day of May, 1687.[2]

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money received of Joshua Baies preceding Collector att the passing his Accompt - -	369	1	0
Alsoe with Arrears then vncollected - -	69	6	9
Alsoe with a yeares Rent due upon the Rentall att Martinmas last - - - - - -	47	14	8
Alsoe with money received of Joseph Downes and James Webster overseers of the poore att passing their Accompts - - - - -	2	19	1¾
Alsoe with interrest of 20 li. from Thomas Lemons for a yeare - - - - - -	1	4	0
Alsoe of John Styring for the lyke - - -	1	4	0
Alsoe of Nathaniell Revell for the lyke - -	1	4	0
Alsoe of Mr. Garratt Murfey for a yeares interrest of 50 li. - - - - - - -	3	0	0
Alsoe with money due from Nicholas Pearson -	20	0	0
Alsoe with 20 li. and interrest for 2 yeares in Thomas Lemons hand - - - - - -	22	8	0
Alsoe with 20 li. in John Styring hand - -	20	0	0
Alsoe with 20 li. in Mr. Halls and Mr. Fox hands upon their bond and interrest for 2 yeares - - - - - - - - - -	22	8	0
Alsoe due from Mr. Henry Balguy and Mr. George Fox upon their Bond 53 li. and interrest for 2 yeares - - - - - -	59	7	0
Alsoe due from 20 Scissersmiths 200 li. and interrest for 3 yeares - - - - -	236	0	0
From William Ward more - - - - -	0	2	6
From Robert Turner and interrest for a year 10 li. - - - - - - - - - -	10	12	0
Alsoe due from Mr. Garratt Murfey - -	50	0	0
And remaines due from 12 Tradesmen upon their Bond 50 li. and interrest for 3 yeares -	59	0	0

[1] Mr. S. O. Addy suggests this was not a *conveyance* or grant to the trustees. If so, the Decree would appear to be a mere appointment of Trustees, the legal estate remaining in the Burgesses.

[2] This is the first year in which the accounts appear in the new form in pursuance of the writ of Injunction consequent on the Decree of Charitable Uses, dated 26th March, 1685. The Decree was dated, as above said, 6th Sept,, 33 Charles II. (1682), but the Writ of Injunction, enjoyning obedience to the Decree, is dated 26th March, 1685.

	li.	s.	d.
Alsoe in Mr. Nathaniell Revells hand - -	20	0	0
Alsoe in Jonas Yooles hand - - - -	1	0	0
Summe Totall -	1016	11	0

Whereout disbursed as followeth

To Joshua Baies which he disbursed the last Accompt day - - - - - - -	0	3	0
To James Kay for worke about the Barker poole sough - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
For a nue Rentall and Cheife Rentall - -	0	4	0
For repaire of the Ladies Bridge as in perticulars appeares - - - - - - -	4	19	0
For a payr of nue church yates makeing as in perticulars alsoe appeares - - - -	4	14	4
For dressing Ladies Bridg Flynt well and other wells and Churchyates - - - - -	0	4	8
To William Higgin for removeing the Rubbish from Castle Green head - - - -	0	2	0
For bringing up the Church ladders from Ladies Bridge - - - - - - -	0	0	6
To William Wildsmyth for putting up a peese of tymber att Almeshouse - - - -	0	1	8
[P. 239.] To William Harvey for a lock a bolt and band for the Almeshouse doore -	0	1	4
To William Abbatt and Samuell Atkin the overseers of the poore An Shemield guift -	1	4	0
For a letter to the Lords Commissioners - -	0	0	6
To the whaits for their yeares wages - -	2	0	0
Charges of John Styring to Doncaster Sessions 2 dayes and nightes about the Assessmentes for the Tolls - - - - - - -	0	6	0
For the Juries Dynner and verdict att the Great Leete - - - - - - - - -	0	12	6
For Fyers att the Hall att meetings - - -	0	0	8
Paid John Ellison upon his bill for the Dynner when Mr. Jessopp Mr. Brown & 14 Townesmen dyned there upon their meeting to regulate assessments - - - - - - -	1	15	6
Paid Mr. Cooke Church Collector a yeares rent for the workehouse - - - - - -	0	10	0
For ale at a meeting of Trustees - - -	0	0	6
To Richard Webster for 7 daies helping to dress scissors in the store house[1] - - -	0	7	0

[1] The Town seems to have taken part payment in goods from the scissorsmiths to whom they lent £200 in 1681.

	li.	s.	d.
for paper pack thridd[1] & oyle - - - - -	0	11	8
For drincking for the workfolkes being 19 three daies a peece - - - - - - -	0	9	6
The Collectors fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
The Beadles fee - - - - - - -	0	1	0
The Belmans fee - - - - - - -	0	2	0
For dynner for those who were present att takeing these Accompts - - - - - -	1	5	0
To the Clarke for Entring the same Accompts	0	5	0
And for making a survey of the Townes land and drawing out an accompt of all the inhabitants within the town and parish[2] - -	0	10	0
Summe disbursed is - -	20	16	4

Money lett out this year to Mr. Cooke upon Bond 160 li. To Mr. Glossopp 100 li.

Money lett out formerlie. Oweing by Nicholas Pearson 20 li. Alsoe by Thomas Lemons with interrest for 2 yeares 22 li. 8s. Alsoe by John Styring 20 li. Alsoe by Mr. Robert Hall and Mr. Fox 20 li. and interrest for 2 yeares 22 li. 8s. Alsoe by Mr. Henry Balguy and Mr. Fox 53 li. and interrest for 3 yeares 59 li. 7s. Alsoe by Mr. Nathaniell Revell 20 li. Alsoe by Jonas Yoole 1 li. Alsoe by 20 Scissersmiths with interrest 236 li. 2s. 6d. Alsoe by Robert Turner 10 li. and a yeares interrest 10 li. 12s. Alsoe by Mr. Garratt Murfey 50 li. Alsoe by 12 Tradesmen 50 li. and interrest for 3 yeares 59 li. Summe totall - 780 17 6

Arrears to be deducted. Francis Brownell 7s. 6d. John Stevin 2 li. 13s. 4d. Mr. Thomas Diston 2s. John Courtnall 13s. 9d. John Hancock 8 li. 2s. 8d. Mathew Borrie 1 li. 5s. 6d. John Tompson 4 li. 5s. 6d. Idem a garden 1s. 6d. William Sugden 2 li. 9s. 2d. Widdow Emerie 6d. Thomas Wilson 3 li. 6s. 3d. James Webster 1s. 6d. John Wigfall 3 li. 14s. Robert Hydes 3 li. 9s. 4d. Widdow Soobie 7s. Thomas Bower 1 li. 16s. 6d. Margrett and Hannah Roberts 19s. James Hobson 6s. 2d. Mr. Crooke 6d. Georg Crooke 5s. Mr. Fisher 5 li. Thomas and John Jeffcocke 10d. James Tuke 1s. Joan Steemson 2d. George Jackson 21 li. 6s. James Barnes 3 li. 18s. 4d. Ann Badger 14s. William Allen 9d. Thomas Shertcliffe 1 li. 5s. Widdow Whitehead 1s. Thomas Pegg 6s. John Taylor 1 li. 8s. Georg Metcalfe 1 li. 17s. 6d. Widdow Bate 15s.

[Total] - - - 71 0 3

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[1] Pack thread.

[2] I have not met with a copy of this survey, Mr. Hunter prints an earlier one, dated 1615.—See Gatty's *Hunter's Hallamshire*, p. 148.

	li.	s.	d.
Charge. The totall of the Charge of this Accompt as appears is - - - - -	1016	11	0
Whereout disbursed as alsoe in particulars appeares - - - - - - - -	20	16	4
Money alsoe lett out upon Bonds - - -	780	17	6
Arreares oncollected - - - - - - -	71	0	3
Discharge. Summe totall of the Discharge -	872	14	1
Soe remaines to clear the Accompt - - -	143	16	11
Alsoe received more of Mr. Robert Soresbie for interrest of C li. - - - - - - - -	0	8	0
Soe the totall in the Accomptants hands remaineing is - - - - - - - -	144	4	11

which was paid to Mr. Soresbie att passing this Accompt the day and year aforesaid.

It was then agreed and ordered that the Arrear of 2s. upon Mr. Diston and 2d. Widdow Steemson be remitted and allowed in the next Accompt.

Money also upon Bond to Mr. William Cooke dated 29° Januarii 1682 and payable 30° July following - - - - - - - - -	20	0	0
Alsoe to Castle Shemield same date payable as above - - - - - - - - - -	10	0	0

Thomas Marriott, John Webster, William Burley, Robert Nicholls and Joseph Butler were chosen trustees.[1]

[P. 241.] Sheffield. The Accompt of Mr. Robert Soresbie Collector of the Rents belonging to the Trustees within the town of Sheffield for one whole year now ended made the 13th day of May Anno Domini 1687.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis The Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money received att passing the last Accompt - - - - - - - - -	144	4	11
Alsoe with Arrears then oncollected - - -	71	0	3
Alsoe with a yeares Rent due att Martinmas last as by the Rentall appeares - - -	38	7	8
Alsoe with 20 li. received of Mr. Sympson for which he had given bond - - - - -	20	0	0
Alsoe with money received of William Abbatt and Edward Atkin Overseers of the poore for the last yeare - - - - - - -	3	15	7
Alsoe with money received of Richard Downes for wares in part of the 200 li. lett out to the 20 Scissersmiths - - - - - - -	140	0	0

[1] This is the first recorded election of Trustees under authority of the Decree of Charitable Uses.

	li.	s.	d.
Alsoe with rents for the workhouse croft - -	0	7	0
Alsoe with moneys due upon Bond, vizt., Nicholas Pearson - - - - - - -	20	0	0
Thomas Lemons 20 li. & interrest for 3 yeares -	23	12	0
John Styring 20 li. and one yeares interest -	21	4	0
Mr. Robert Hall and Mr. Fox, 20 li. and interrest for 3 yeares - - - - - -	23	12	0
Mr. Balguy and Mr. Fox 53 li. and interest for 3 yeares - - - - - - - -	59	7	6
Mr. Nathaniell Revell 20 li. and one yeares interrest - - - - - - - -	21	4	0
Jonas Yoole - - - - - - - -	1	0	0
Castle Shemield - - - - - - -	10	0	0
20 Scissorsmiths 200 li. and 4 yeares interrest -	248	0	0
William Ward - - - - - - -	0	2	6
Robert Turner 10 li. and Two yeares interrest - - - - - - - -	11	4	0
Mr. Garratt Murfey 50 li. and one yeares interrest - - - - - - - - -	53	0	0
12 Tradesmen, 50 li. and 4 yeares interrest -	62	0	0
Mr. Glossopp, 100 li. and one yeares interrest -	105	0	0
Mr. Cooke - - - - - - - -	20	0	0
Idem Mr. Cooke 160 li. and ½ years interrest -	164	16	0
And with interrest of the 100 li. put out by the Duke of Newcastle for the use of the poor of Sheffield[1] - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
Summe totall of the Charge -	1267	17	5

Wherof disbursed as followeth

Inprimis. To Anthonie Hall which he disbursed for the townes use - - - - - - -	1	5	0
Charges of dressing the wares sold to Richard Downes - - - - - - - - -	1	0	7½
To William Harvey and John Crooke for mending the Churchyates Southward - - -	0	10	0
For a Rentall of Trustees lands and another of Cheife Rents - - - - - - -	0	4	0
For 2 letters sent to Lecester per post - -	0	0	4
To Richard Rychesonne for lookeing to the workhouse and ortchard - - - - -	0	0	6
For cutting a tree in peeces which lay against the Ladies Bridge - - - - - -	0	1	6
Charges Expended at John Ellisons att 4 severall meetings of the townsmen with Mr. Brown about regulating Assessments - -	2	10	8

[1] See next page.

	li.	s.	d.
Paid for dressing the Street against the Castle Lath and carrying the Rubbish away[1] - -	0	3	0
Laid down for the Church Burgesses which they are to repay, 10 li. to Thomas Palmer the Bellfounder in full discharg of his demand	10	0	0
[P. 242.] Charges in repaireing the Ladies Bridge this yeare as by particulars appeares	16	11	6
Charges expended with Mr. Treen at severall meetings - - - - - - - -	0	9	5
For a Draught of Articles with him - - -	0	1	0
Charges about getting the 200 li. assigned to the Trustees from the Duke of Newcastle, as by a bill of particulars appeares[2] - - -	2	4	4
Paid for a case of knives to give Mr. Neale for his assistance therein - - - - - -	0	12	0
Paid for sending a letter to Lees hall for Doctor Elmhurst - - - - - - - -	0	0	3
Paid for Hearth money for the workhouse for this year - - - - - - - -	0	14	0
Also for severall of the townes tenants being poore as by a note - - - - - -	1	12	0
Spent with the officer - - - - - -	0	1	0
Paid for worke done att the workhouse in setting up two stacks of chimneys, leading stone, workmanshipp and other materialls as by a Bill of particulars may appear - -	10	7	0
To Charles Lingard for 3½ stone of lead - -	0	5	3
Paid for a lock and nayles for the Barker Poole dore - - - - - - - - -	0	0	9
To Nathan Hewitt for dressing Flynt well at Michaelmas and Christmas - - - -	0	1	9
Spent att receiveing Mr. Glossopps interrest -	0	0	6
Spent att a meeting att Coffee house about Stansall land[3] - - - - - - -	0	1	8
Charges of the accomptant, Mr. Cooke, and John Styring going about it to Stansall and Doncaster, &c. - - - - - - -	0	9	0

[1] The Castle Lath or Barn stood on the site afterwards occupied by the Tontine Inn, and now by the Norfolk Market Hall.

[2] See letter of William, Marquis and afterwards Duke of Newcastle, in connection with the Shrewsbury Hospital, in Gatty's *Hunter*, p. 315.

[3] Several references will be met with later on to meetings at "The Coffee House." Dr. Cunningham's *Growth of English Industry and Commerce* notes that "In the early part of the 18th Century the practice had come into fashion of resorting to coffee houses for all sorts of intercourse, whether social, political, or commercial."—Vol. II., p. 290. Sheffield Parish Register, under date 21st April, 1701, records the death of "Georgius Carr de Coffee House de Sheffield."

	li.	s.	d.
For paveing about Ladies Bridge and Labourers wages - - - - - - - - - -	1	0	2
For cleansing the Bridge twyce - - -	0	2	6
Paid Mr. Bagaley, the Belfounder, for comeing over about the bells [1] - - - - - -	1	0	0
Spent with him and paid his Charges - -	0	17	9
To Harvey for Cramps for the workhouse -	0	12	0
Paid the Scavenger his fee - - - - -	0	6	0
Paid for the Juries Dynner att the Great Leet and drawing their verdict - - - - -	0	12	6
Paid the whaits for this years wages - -	2	0	0
Paid for bottles of clarrett to drinck with Mr. Arter in towne [2] - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
To the Church Collector the workhouse rent -	0	10	0
To the overseers of the poor Ann Shemield gift	1	4	0
Alsoe the interrest of the poors 100 li. - -	6	0	0
The Collectors Fee - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
For Dynner for those who were present att takeing the Accompt - - - - - -	1	5	0
To the Clark for Entring the Accompt - -	0	5	0
To the Beadle for his fee - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Belman his fee - - - - - -	0	2	0
The Accomptant craves allowance of 2s. Arrear upon Mr. Diston, and 2d. Widdow Steemson remitted - - - - - - - - -	0	2	2
Summe totall of Disbursements -	65	11	7
[P. 243.] Lett to James Shemeild 6° Februarii 1686 - - - - - - - - - -	32	0	0
Lett out to Mr. Nathaniell Revell upon his Bond this yeare for 2 monthes - - -	16	0	0

Money out formerly upon bond

Nicholas Pearson 20 li. Thomas Lemons 20 li. and interrest for 2 yeares 22 li. 8s. John Styring 20 li. Mr. Hall and Mr. Fox 20 li. and 3 yeares interrest 23 li. 12s. Mr. Balguy and Mr. Fox 53 li., and 3 yeares interrest 59 li. 7s. 6d. Mr. Nathaniell Revell 20 li. Jonas Yoole 1 li. Castle

[1] A new peal of bells was cast, in which the Town Trustees, the Cutlers' Company, and the Church Burgesses seem to have taken a share. In 1689, when Mr. Breilsforth was Master Cutler, the Cutlers' Company paid Humphrey Wilkinson, of London, £48. 15s. 0d. for a new bell, called the Cutlers' bell, and in 1690, the sum of £16. 18s. 6d. was paid for an addition of metal to the bell when it was re-cast. In 1695, the Church Burgesses paid £6. 10s. 11d. to Mr. Smith, of York, for casting the 5th, 4th, and 3rd bells, These bells continued in use till 1745, when a new peal of eight was cast, which, in its turn was replaced by the present bells about 1803.

[2] Probably the local pronunciation of Arthur.

Shemeild 10 li. 20 Scissersmiths 200 li. and 4 yeares interrest 248 li. William Ward 2s. 6d. Robert Turner 10 li. Mr. Garratt Murfey 50 li. 12 Tradesmen 50 li. and interrest for 4 years 62 li. Mr. Glossopp 100 li. Mr. Cooke 20 li. Idem Mr. Cooke and interrest for ½ a year 164 li. 16s.

Totall of moneys out upon bond - -	879	6	0

Arrears to be respited

Francis Brownell 3s. John and Thomas Brownell 13s. 6d. John Hawksley 11s. 8d. John Courtnall 18s. 9d. Thomas Wilson 3 li. 8s. 9d. John Wigfall 3 li. 14s. 6d. Robert Hydes 3 li. 12s. 8d. John Hancock 8 li. 6s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 9s. 2d. Mathew Berry 1 li. 5s. 6d. John Tompson 4 li. 12s. 6d. Widdow Emerie 6d. Thomas Bower 1 li. 14s. 6d. James Webster 2s. Widdow Soobie 7s. Margrett and Hannah Roberts 19s. James Hobson 6s. 10d. George Crooke 2s. 6d. Mr. Crooke 1s. The Workhouse 5 li. James Tuke 1s. 4d. Joan Steemson 2d. Robert Turner 1 li. 16s. 8d. Georg Jackson 21 li. 14s. James Barnes 4 li. 8s. 4d. Ann Badger 14s. Thomas Shertcliffe 2 li. 10s. Thomas Pegg 8s. John Clayton 1s. John Taylor 1 li. 8s. Georg Metcalfe 1 li. 17s. 6d. Widdow Bate 15s.

[Total] - - -	74	4	0
[P. 244.] The totall of the Charge of the Accompt as appears is - - - - -	1267	17	5
Alsoe totall of Disbursements - - - -	65	11	7½
Alsoe of money out upon bond as appeares -	879	6	0
And of Arrears uncollected as by particulars -	74	4	0
[Total] - - -	1019	1	7½
Soe remaines in the Accomptants hand to ballance the aforesaid Accompt - - -	248	15	9½

which was paid to Mr. Francis Barlow att passing this Accompt who is chosen Collector for the succeeding year and soe the Accompt stands clear this 13th day of May 1687.

Maii 13° 1687. Then Agreed and Ordered by the Trustees present that Elizabeth widdow of James Barnes paying the Arrear of Fower pounds due for the house and appurtenances in occupacion of James Barnes the Elder shall have a Lease of the same for 92 years from Martinmas next att the old rent provided she pay the said Arrears 40s. att 6 months from this day and 40s. att 12 months the rest remitted, the said James Barnes the elder and his wife to enjoy the same dureing their lives and the longer liver of them.

Then Alsoe agreed that Hugh Tompson shall be scavenger and have allowed him 13s. 4d. per annum vizt at Martinmas

next 6s. 8d. and Pentecost following 6s. 8d. and soe yearely soe long as he continues Scavinger for which he is to doe these things following. To cleanse the Lady bridge soe oft as is needful, also the common shore against the Castle lathe and all the way to the Barker poole.

Then Alsoe agreed that Jeremiah Ward, Thomas Vnwyn, and [blank] be the whaits of the towne and shall have 20s. a peece for the yeare following and each man a cloake and a badge, which cloakes they are to restore to the town if they leave the town within three years, their badges whensoever.

20° Julii 1687. Thomas Jenings and Edward Wood proferred their Accounts and it was agreed that they present such persons as are in Arreare of their Assessments and then bring in their Accompts when they are required. Then in their hands, 1 li. 13s. 9¼d. John Dalton and John Hudson the lyke, and there remaines upon their Accompts then, 3 li. 18s. 10d.

[P. 245.] Sheffield. The Accompt of Mr. Francis Barlow Collectour of the Rents belonging to the Trustees within the said town of Sheffield for one whole year now ended made the 30th day of May Anno Domini 1688.

	li.	s.	d.
The Charge. Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money received att the last Accompt makeing as by the said Accompt appears - - - - - - - -	248	15	9½
Alsoe with Arrears in the Rentall then oncollected - - - - - - - - -	74	4	0
Alsoe with one whole yeares rent - - -	38	7	8
Alsoe with 50 li. received of Mr. Cooper being part of the 100 li. Assigned to the Trustees by the Duke of Newcastle for the use of the poor of Sheffield and interrest for a yeare[1] -	56	0	0
Alsoe received of Mr. Diston, Benjamin Pearson and partners Overseers of the Highwaies for 1685 att passing their accompts - - -	0	11	6
Alsoe of Thomas Jenings and Edward Wood Churchwardens att passing their Accompts -	2	0	1
Aloe with a yeares rent received for the workehouse crofte - - - - - - - -	0	14	0

Moneys oweing upon Bond.

From Nicholas Pearson 20 li. From Thomas Lemons with 3 yeares interest 23 li. 12s. From John Styring 20 li. From

[1] See Notes pp. 234 and 235.

Mr. Hall and Mr. Fox 24 li. 16s. From Mr. Balguy and Mr. Fox 65 li. 14s. From Mr. Nathaniell Revell 50 li. part of the 100 li. assigned to the Trustees by the Duke of Newcastle for the poores use 50 li. Alsoe due from him more on 2 Bonds 37 li. 4s.;. Also from Jonas Yoole 1 li. Alsoe from Castle Shemield 10 li. From Mr. Garratt Murfey 52 li. 4s. From 12 tradesmen and interrest 65 li. From William Ward 2s. 6d. From Robert Turner 10 li. 12s. From 20 Sissersmiths 260 li. From Mr. Glossop with interrest 106 li. 5s. From Dr. Woolhouse and Mr. Cooke 183 li. 8s. More from Mr. Cooke 20 li. From James Shemield 33 li. 18s. 4s.

[Total owing on Bond £983 15s. 10d.]

1389	8	10½
1	4	0
1390	12	10½
13	16	0
1404	8	10½

[Total received and oweing.]

Whereof disbursed.

Paid to William Woodhouse wife which was owing for drinck, since 1684 - - -	0	2	0
To Hugh Tomson the remainder of his wages for last year by order - - - - - -	0	4	0
To the whaits for playing att the Trustees dynner - - - - - - - - -	0	3	0
To John Styring for journeys about the townes business and attending regulacion of Assessment last year by order of the Board - -	1	0	0
To John Taylor and his partners for searching the Truelove Gutter[1] - - - - - -	0	2	0
For a Rentall of towns land and cheife - -	0	4	0
Acq. for 4 dozen bottles of wyne sent to the Duke of Norfolke 2 li. 8s. od. and to the servants by order of the townsmen 15s. 6d. -	3	3	6
[P. 246.] Paid for exchang of 3 Badges for the whaits - - - - - - - - -	2	0	0
Acq. Paid for a yeares Hearth money for the workhouse and ½ year for Thomas Peck and spent with the officers - - - - - -	0	17	0
For coppieing out the Trustees Decree - -	0	5	0
Acq. For charges of Mr. Arter and Mr. Wood and Townsmen att John Ellisons when they agreed for Stansull - - - - - -	2	14	0

[1] Apparently an open watercourse in Castle street.

	li.	s.	d.
Acq. To Robert Hancock for makeing 3 cloakes for the Whaits - - - - -	0	10	6
To Jo. Addamson and Thomas Spooner overseers of the poor being interrest of the poores 100 li. - - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
Acq. Alsoe Ann Shemield's guift - - -	1	4	0
For setting up a Rayle behynd the Church yates	0	0	6
To William Wyldsmith and sone a day mending the house of office att the Almshouse, 22d. for braggs, 6d., and for a planck for the floore and lattes 4s. 6d. - - - - -	0	6	10
To a messinger for goeing with 2 letters to Mr. Fox and Mr. Balguy - - - - - -	0	1	4
Ac. To the whaits for their years wages - -	2	15	0
To William Harvey for mending the Church yates - - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
Charges about the workehouse in repaireing the same and makeing it into 3 tenements as by a Bill of particulars may appear - - -	18	11	7
To Messinger to Mr. Hall with a letter - -	0	0	4
To Mr. Sitwell upon his bill for suit charges against Mr. Balguy and Mr. Revell & goeing to Todewick about the townes business as by his said bill appeares - - - - - -	1	6	10
Ac. To the Church Collector rent for the workehouse - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
For carrying away Rubbish from against the Castle Lathe- - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Jury at the Great Leet for their Dynner andverdict - - - - - - - .	0	12	6
for 2 assessment bookes for Bells and Viccar -	0	4	0
for a messenger to Darnall to give them notice of their proporcion towards paying the Viccars wages - - - - - - - - - -	0	0	3
To John Styring for goeing to Stansall and Bawtrie 3 daies and 3 journeys to Todewick and charges of himselfe and others - -	0	19	6
To Hugh Tomson his yeares sallarie - -	0	13	4
Bill. Expenses att all the meetings this year about the towns business att the coffee house, Abiell Rollinsons, &c., as by a note of particulars may appear - - - - - -	0	14	11
To the Collector for his Fee - - - - -	0	2	6
For Dynner for those who took this Accompt -	1	5	0
The Belmans Fee - - - - - - -	0	2	0
The Beadles Fee - - - - - - -	0	1	0
For entering these Accompts - - - - -	0	5	0

[P. 247.] Moneys upon Bond incerted in the Charg and to be allowed being vnreceived.

Nicholas Pearson 20 li. Thomas Lemons 20 li. Mr. Hall and Mr. Fox 24 li. 16s. Mr. Balguy and Mr. Fox 25 li. 14s. Jonas Yoole 1 li. Castle Shemield 10 li. 20 Scissersmiths 260 li. William Ward 2s. 6d. Robert Turner 10 li. 12s. 12 Tradesmen 65 li. Doctor Woolhouse and Mr. Cooke 183 li. 8s. Mr. Cooke more 20 li. James Shemield 33 li. 18s. 4d. There remaines of Mr. Revell's debt over and above what is receeived and so to be allowed to the Accomptant 40 li. 1s. 7d. [Total] - - - 40 1 7

700 16 5
714 12 5 [The total of moneys upon Bond.]

Arrears of Rents vnreceived.

Francis Brownell 9s. John and Thomas Brownell 1 li. 2s. 6d. John Fowler 13s. 4d. John Courtnall and sonnes 1 li. 3s. 9d. William Woodhouse 10s. Thomas Wilson 3 li. 11s. 3d. John Wigfall 3 li. 13s. Robert Hydes 3 li. 16s. John Hancocke 8 li. 10s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 9s. 2d. Mathew Berry 1 li. 5s. 6d. John Thompson 4 li. 18s. Widdow Emerie 6d. Thomas Bower 1 li. 14s. 6d. James Webster 2s. 6d. Widdow Soobie 7s. Margrett Roberts 1s. Stephen Leech 7s. Thomas Berrye 3s. George Crooke 2s. 6d. Mr. Crooke 1s. 6d. Mr. Fisher's Executours 5 li. James Tuke 1s. 8d. Joan Steemson 4d. Robert Turner 3 li. 13s. 4d. George Jackson 22 li. 2s. Jo. Webster 1 li. 6s. 8d. James Barnes 4 li. 18s. 8d. Ann Badger 14s. Thomas Shertcliffe 2 li. 10s. Thomas Hobson 4s. Thomas Pegg 10s. John Clayton 1s. 6d. John Taylor 1 li. 8s. George Metcalfe 17s. 6d. Widdow Bate 15s.

[Total] - - - 79 5 10

[P. 248.] 1404 li. 8s. 10½d. *The charge of this Accompt as in perticulars appears is - 1394 12 10½

which is thus discharged.

By Disbursements - - - - - -			46	3	5½
By Bonds vnreceived - - - - -			700	16	5
By Arrears in the Rentall - - - -			79	5	10
And by moneys in the Accomptants hands to ballance the Accompt - - - - -			564	7	2
46	3	5½	Total - - - *[1]1390	12	10½
714	12	5			
79	5	10			
564	7	2			
li. 1404	8	10½			

[1] Between the stars is crossed out.

	li.	s.	d.
The Charge of this Accompt is - -	-1404	8	10

which is thus discharged.

By Disbursements 46 li. 3s. 5½d. By Bonds vnreceived 714 li. 12s. 5d. By Arrears in the Rentall 79 li. 5s. 10d. And by money in the Accomptants hands to ballance 564 li. 7s. 2d. [Total] - - -1404 8 10½

23 February, 1688.—Then agreed by the Trustees present that John Webster shall have allowed him 30s. for money laid out for scoureing and repering the Truelove gutter, and that hereafter there be noe more money allowed for that purpose.

[P. 249.] Aug. 20th, 1688.—Att a meeting of the Trustees for the town of Sheffield, being present Mr. William Sympson, Mr. William Cooke, Mr. Thomas Britland, Mr. Francis Barlow, Mr. Robert Soresbie, Mr. Joshua Baies, and Mr. William Burley, and Mr. Robert Nicholls, it was ordered that the moneys alreadie collected by any person or persons whatsoever for the use of the Viccar of Sheffield be forthwith paid to the collector of the towns rent for the tyme being, and that he forthwith pay the same to the said viccar; and it is desyred that Mr. Jonathan Lee, Georg Wylde, William Fenton, Joseph Nicholson, John Staniforth, Georg Bamforth, and John Webster doe collect of the inhabitants in their respective quarters of the said parish such money as they can by way of entreatie and pay the same to the town collector, who is to pay it to the viccar in further discharg of his arrears, and it is lykewise further ordered that what is short of the full discharge of his arrears till the 5th of May last be paid by the Town collector for the tyme being, and that he also pay the sum of ten pounds per annum towards his wages soe long as he continues viccar of the said town.

[The above entry, beginning "Aug. 20," has been cancelled by a line drawn through it.]

23rd Februarii 1688. Then paid by John Dalton and John Hudson which were in their hands since they were churchwardens in the year 1683 the summe of 4 li. 17s. 2d., and there remaines due from John Hudson 2s. 2d. to make the whole remainder upon the Accompt which he paid afterwards the same day - - - - - - - -	4	19	4
Alsoe then paid by Mr. Soresbie and Mr. Boughton which was collected for the viccar	15	0	4

[P. 250.] Sheffield. The Accompt of Mr. William Cooke Collector of the Rents belonging to the Trustees within the said town of Sheffield for one whole year now ended made the 15th day of May Anno Domini 1689.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis the Accomptant chargeth himselfe with money received att the last reckoning -	564	7	2
Alsoe with Arrears then vncollected - -	79	5	10
Alsoe with one whole yeares rent - - -	42	17	2
Alsoe with money received of Mr. White in part of Mr. Balguyes debt - - - - - -	10	0	0
Also of Doctor Wollhouse in part of his debt and interrest - - - - - - -	40	0	0
Also of Thomas Lemons interrest of 20 li. for one year - - - - - - - -	1	4	0
Alsoe of Mr. Hall for halfe a yeare interrest due upon his morgage - - - - - -	15	0	0

Money out upon Bond.

Thomas Lemons 20 li. Mr. Hall and Mr. Fox 26 li. Mr. Balguy and Mr. Fox 18 li. 17s. 8d. Jonas Yoole 1 li. Castle Shemield 10 li. Robert Turner 11 li. 4s. Mr. Woolhouse 143 li. 8s. Mr. Cooke 20 li. James Shemield 35 li. 16s. 8d.

[Total out upon Bond - -£286 6 4]

1039 0 6 [Sum total.]

Disbursed as followeth.

Paid Mr. Marriott for his morgage upon Mr. Hall's land - - - - - - - - -	414	10	0
Alsoe to Mr. Waterhouse the lyke - - -	75	0	0
Alsoe to Mr. Hall the remainder - - -	70	0	0
Paid Hearth money for the workhouse for a year ending att Michaelmas 1689 - - -	0	14	0
Charges in passing the Surrender and to Mr. Chappell upon his Bill - - - - -	3	4	4
Paid for work done about the Ladies Bridge this year - - - - - - - -	2	9	2
Paid for cleansing the Townhead well and for a key and mending a Locke for the Barker poole	0	1	2½
Paid for a Buckett for the workhouse well -	0	6	4
To Mr. Bacon which he paid the viccar over and above his receipts - - - - - -	1	5	3
For a Rentall of towns rents and cheife - -	0	4	0
Charges expended when the alarum was sent from Chasterfield that Briningham [Birmingham], and other places were on fyer[1] - -	7	15	10

[1] Ralph Thoresby, the Leeds antiquary, gives a graphic account of this alarm in December, 1688. People were frightened with a report that

	li.	s.	d.
Charges also ot the soldiers on the day of thanksgiving	1	10	0
More also on the day the King and Queen were proclaimed[2]	15	4	11½
More also to Mr. Brown and his followers	1	5	0
Charges also in treating the Lord Castleton	1	0	0
Paid the whaits their years wages	3	0	0
To the overseers of the poor the interest of the C li. given by Edward Earl of Shrewsbury	5	0	0
To the Scavenger his years wages	0	13	4
Paid for dressing and fixeing Armes	0	15	6
For making up a breach in the water wall over against the Isle of Wight	0	4	1
[P. 251.] For the Juries Dynner and verdict att the Great Court Leet	0	12	6
To Robert Green for wood and worke att the Church yates	0	2	2
Spent at severall meetings of the townsmen about business	0	5	9
For sending messingers and letters upon severall occasions	0	9	4
To Mr. Soresbies man for leading stones to the Ladies Bridge	0	0	6
To George Bullas for boards for the workhouse use	0	7	0
To Harvey for 3 new Casements and mending an old one	0	9	6
To John Webster by order of the board for repair of Truelove Gutter	1	10	0
To the Belman his fee	0	2	0
To the Beadle his fee	0	1	0
The Collectours fee	0	2	6
To the Clark for Entering these Accompts	0	5	0
More for collecting the Rents and chiefe rents	1	5	0

there was a flying army of Irish and massacring Papists who with unheard of cruelty burnt and killed all before them. Nottingham, Halifax, and Huddersfield were said to have been burnt, and at midnight Leeds was aroused with a cry, "Fire! Fire! Horse and arms! for God's sake." Thoresby could see nothing but paleness and horror in the countenances of all men. However nothing came of it. There was no enemy. When the excitement had passed away Thoresby wrote;—"Upon the whole this matter of the alarm, which was general and spread over most parts of England, was managed so artfully, that even when all was over I could never learn who was concerned even in this neighbourhood."—Thoresby's Diary, Vol. 1, pp. 188-191.

[2] The thanksgiving, and the proclamation of William and Mary here mentioned mark the time of the Revolution of 1688. On the same occasion the Cutlers' Company spent £5 os. 6d.

	li.	s.	d.
Alsoe the Accomptant craves allowance of an Arrear upon Widdow Bate ordered to be remitted - - - - - - - - -	0	15	0
For dynner for those that were present att takeing these Accompts - - - - - -	1	5	0
611 15 3			

Debts upon Bond.

Thomas Lemons 20 li. Mr. Hall and Mr. Fox 26 li. Mr. Balguy and Mr. Fox 18 li. 17s. 8d. Jonas Yoole 1 li. Castle Shemield 10 li. Robert Turner 11 li. 4s. Mr. Wolhouse 143 li. 8s. Mr. Cooke 20 li. James Shemield 35 li. 16s. 8d.

286 6 4 [Total upon Bond.]

Arrears vncollected to be allowed.

Francis Brownell 2 li. 6s. 6d. John Courtnall 1 li. 3s. 9d. William Woodhouse 1 li. Thomas Wilson 3 li. 13s. 9d. John Wigfall 4 li. 3s. Robert Hydes 3 li. 19s. 4d. John Hancock 8 li. 14s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 9s. 2d. Mathew Berrie 1 li. 5s. 6d. John Tompson 5 li. 3s. 6d. Widdow Emerie 6d. Thomas Bower 1 li. 15s. 6d. James Webster 2s. 6d. Widow Soobie 7s. Margrett Roberts 2s. Stephen Leech 7s. Mr. Crooke 2s. Mr. Fisshers Executors 5 li. The workhouse 5 li. James Tuke 1s. 8d. [P. 252.] Joan Steemson 6d. Robert Turner 5 li. George Jackson 22 li. 10s. James Barnes 5 li. 8s. 4d. Ann Badger 14s. Thomas Shertcliffe 5 li. Thomas Pegg, 12s. John Clayton 2s. John Taylor 1 li. 8s. George Metcalfe 17s. 6d.

88 9 8 [Total arrears.]

The Charg of this Accompt as in particulars appeares is - - - - - - - -	1039	0	6
which is thus Discharged			
By Disbursements and Allowances - - -	611	15	3
By money out upon Bond - - - -	286	6	4
By Arrears vncollected - - - - -	88	9	8
And by money in the Accomptants hands to ballance - - - - - - - -	52	9	3
[Total] -	1039	0	6

which said 52 li. 9s. 3d. was paid to Mr. Marriott Collector for the succeeding year and soe the Accompt stands clear.

[P. 253.] Sheffield.—The Accompt of Mr. Thomas Marriott Collector of the Rents belonging to the Trustees for the said town for the yeare ending the 4th day of May 1690 made then.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himself with money received at the last reckoning - - - -	52	9	3
And with Arrears then in the tenants hands -	88	9	8
Alsoe with one whole yeares rent - - -	78	2	2
Alsoe with money received of Mr. Barlow which was borrowed of him - - - - - -	10	0	0

Money due upon Bond.

From Thomas Lemons 20 li. and interrest for a year 21 li. 4s. From Mr. Hall and Mr. Fox 27 li. 4s. From Mr. Balguy and Mr. Fox 19 li. 13s. 2d. From Jonas Yoole 1 li. From Castle Shemield 10 li. From Robert Turner 11 li. 16s. From Mr. Wolehouse 143 li. 8s. Also interrest for 120 li. for one yeare 6 li. From Mr. Cooke 20 li. And from James Shemield 37 li. 15s. Totall received - - - 527 1 3

Disbursements as followeth.

Paid for a Rentall of townes land and Cheife rent - - - - - - - - - -	0	4	0
Paid Mr. Wilson by order of the Trustees to make up his wages[1] - - - - - -	56	9	3
Paid William Cartman for Iron worke about the Ladies Bridge - - - - - - -	2	12	0
Paid James Kay for worke and materialls there as by his Bill and receipt - - - - -	5	18	0
Paid Wyldsmith wife for Mosse 18d., spent 12d.	0	2	6
Paid for poynting and rigging[2] the Almshouse	0	7	7
For mossing and for moss and drinck - -	0	10	6
For mending the windowes and for setting up nue glass - - - - - - - - -	0	19	0
Paid for dressing the Townhead well - -	0	1	0
For cleansing the Ladies Bridge - - -	0	0	6
To Thomas Johnson that he had disbursed to quiet the Rabble when the alarm was[3] - -	0	4	0
To John Ashmore which was drunk att his house proclaimeing the King and Queen -	0	10	0
To Hugh Tompson his scavengers fee - -	0	13	4
For ribbin for the whaits to hang their Badges in - - - - - - - - - - -	0	4	0
Expended att severall meetings about the townes business - - - - - - -	0	13	0
Paid the Church Collector for rent for the workhouse - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0

[1] Charles Wilson. Vicar, 1681-1695. It will have been noticed, from many entries since the year 1670, that the money of the town was being used not only for the payment of the vicar but for repairs of the vicarage.

[2] Rigging = placing ridge tiles. [3] See Note 1, p. 243.

	li.	s.	d.
Paid the Overseers of the poor the interrest of the C li. in the towns hands belonging to the poore - - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
Alsoe the interrest of Ann Shemield gift - -	1	4	0
Paid for paveing the Ladies Bridge - - -	0	2	0
Paid Charles Lingard for glaseing att the work-house and lead for the Ladies Bridge - -	1	10	0
Paid the whaits their yeares wages - - -	3	0	0
For the Dynner and verdict for the jury att the Great Assembly Inquest - - - -	0	12	6
To Mr. Soresbie for leading stone to Lady bridg - - - - - - - - -	0	12	6
To John Styring for collecting the towns rents Tyth wooll and Lamb oblations and Easter dues - - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
To the Belman his fee 2s., the Beadle 12d. -	0	3	0
The Collectours fee 2s. 6d., paid for the Dynner	1	7	6
For entering these Accompts - - - -	0	5	0

[P. 254.] Money out upon Bond.—Thomas Lemons 20 li. and a years interrest 21 li. 4s. Mr. Hall and Mr. Fox 27 li. 4s. Mr. Balguy and Mr. Fox 19 li. 13s. 2d. Jonas Yoole 1 li. Castle Shemield 10 li. Robert Turner 11 li. 16s. Doctor Woollas 149 li. 8s. Mr. Cooke 20 li. James Shemield 37 li. 15s. [Total on Bond] - - 298 0 2

The charge of this Accompt, as on the other page appears is - - - - - -	527	1	3
which is thus Discharged			
By disbursements - - - - - -	88	15	2
By money upon Bond - - - - -	298	0	2
By arrears unreceived - - - - -	107	17	3
And by money to ballance the accompt - -	32	8	8
	527	1	3

which said 32 li. 8s. 8d. was paid to John Webster who was appointed Collector for the yeare ensueing and so the Accompt cleared.

The Arrears vnreceived are as follows;

John and Thomas Brownell 9s. John Fowler 13s. 4d. John Courtnall 1 li. 8s. 9d. Thomas Wilson 3 li. 16s. 3d. John Wigfall 4 li. 7s. Robert Hydes 4 li. 2s. 8d. John Hancock 8 li. 18s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 9s. 2d. Mathew Berry 1 li. 5s. 6d. John Tompson 5 li. 5s. 6d. Widdow Emerie 6d. Thomas Bower 1 li. 15s. 6d. James Webster 2s. 6d. Widdow Soobie 7s. Margrett Roberts 3s. Stephen Leech 14s. Mr. Crook 2s. 6d. William Leech 8s. Mr. Fishers Executours 5 li. Joshua Bayes 7 li. 10s. Georg

Shawre 2 li. 10s. James Tuke 1s. 10d. Widdow Steemson 8d. Robert Turner 6 li. 6s. 8d. George Jackson 22 li. 18s. Robert Nunes 11s. 3d. Widdow Badger 14s. Thomas Shertcliffe 7 li. 10s. Thomas Hobson 4s. Thomas Pegg 14s. John Clayton 2s. 6d. John Taylor 1 li. 8s. George Metcalfe 17s. 6d. Mr. Robert Hall 15 li. - - 107 17 3

[P. 255.] 4° Maij, 1690.—The names of the present Trustees for the Town: William Sympson, Esq. Thomas Chappell, gentleman; loco Thomas Chappell armigeri. Robert Soresbie, gentleman. William Cooke, gentleman; loco Christopher Broomhead, gentleman. Thomas Barlow, gentleman. Lyonell Revell, gentleman; loco Field Sylvester, gentleman. Thomas Marriott, gentleman. Thomas Britland, gentleman; Henry Smith in his place. John Webster. William Burley; in his place Richard Downes. Joshua Bayes. Robert Nicholls; loco Joseph Downes. Joseph Butler; loco William Jessop, Esquire [1].

[P. 257 (p. 256 is blank.)] Sheffield.—The Accompt of John Webster Collectour of the Rents belonging to the Trustees for the said town for the year ending the 28th day of May 1691 made then.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with money received at the last reckoning - - - -	32	8	8
Alsoe with Arrears then in the tenants hands -	107	17	3
Alsoe with money received of Stephen Ludlam in part of what he owes for Tythe eggs -	1	10	0
And with one whole yeares rent - - -	78	2	2
Money out upon Securitie			
In Thomas Lemons hands - - - -	22	8	0
Alsoe due from Mr. Hall and Mr. Fox - -	28	8	0
Alsoe due from Mr. Balguy and Mr. Fox - -	19	2	2
Alsoe from Jonas Yoole - - - - -	1	0	0
Alsoe from Castle Shemield - - - -	10	0	0
Alsoe from Robert Turner - - - -	12	8	0
Alsoe from Mr. Wolehouse - - - -	156	8	0
Alsoe from Mr. Cooke - - - - -	20	0	0
Alsoe from James Shemield - - - -	38	8	0
[Total] - - -	528	0	3

[1] The names that occur first are those of the Town Trustees on the 4th May, 1690; the names that follow seven of them are subsequent additions in different ink, and are the names of those who were chosen trustees on the death of the others. The names of the whole of the trustees of 1690 appear in the assessment of the poll tax of 1692. Mr. Sympson and Mr. Chappell were attornies; Messrs. Sorsby and Barlow are described as gentlemen; Mr. Marriott as a merchant or gentleman; Mr. Cooke, a mercer; Joshua Bayes, a cutler; Joseph Butler, a draper. The trades of the others are not specified.

Disbursements as followeth	li.	s.	d.
To the whaits att the last accompt Dynner -	0	2	6
To Georg Stone for work this and the last year	1	3	6
To James Kay and others for work att Ladies Bridge and Common Shore - - - -	0	8	6
Paid for powles stones cramps and workmanshipp rayleing and walling by the water syde against the Isle of Wight - - - -	2	2	4
To the Ringers this yeare - - - -	0	9	0
To Mr. Barlow in part of money owing him -	19	12	6
For a Little Yate at the Guttring Clough -	0	2	2
For lookeing to and mending the walls about town	0	4	10
For repaireing the howse in the new streete -	1	8	0
For the Juries Dynner and verdict att the Great Leet - - - - - - - - -	0	12	6
For leading of Boulders and paveing at the Ladies Bridge - - - - - - -	1	1	11
To the whaits their yeares wages - - -	3	0	0
To Hugh Tompson his Scavengers fee - -	0	13	4
To John Crook for making a new yate for the church yard against Rich. Greaves shopp -	0	11	7
For a new Rentall of town and cheife rent -	0	4	0
For notes to secure the towns debt to Mr. Barlow	0	1	0
For a quire of paper to the church - - -	0	0	7
To the Church Collectors for workhouse rent -	0	10	0
To the Overseers the interrest of the poors C li.	5	0	0
To Henry Bingham by order of the Trustees -	1	0	0
To Mr. Diston by order to leand Jus. Mawer -	2	10	0
For a lock and mending the Barker poole doore	0	1	2
For Glaseing att the Almeshouse - - -	0	1	4½
For Dynner at takeing this Accompt - -	1	5	0
The Collectors fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Belman his fee, 2s., and the Beadle, 12d.	0	3	0
For Entring these Accompts - - - - -	0	5	0
To John Styring for collecting the Townes and cheife rents Tyth wooll and Lamb oblations and Easter dues this year - - - - -	5	0	0
more which was oweing to him for the year 1689 as by his accompt appeares - - - -	3	15	0
	51	11	3½

Money out upon Securitie

Thomas Lemons 22 li. 8s. Mr. Hall and Mr. Fox 28 li. 8s. Mr. Balguy and Mr. Fox 19 li. 2s. 2d. Jonas Yoole 1 li. Castle Shemield 10 li. Robert Turner 12 li. 8s. Mr. Wolehouse 156 li. 8s. Mr. Cooke 20 li. James Shemield 38 li. 8s.

[Total out upon security] - - - - - -	308	2	2

	li.	s.	d.
[P. 258.] The charge of this Accompt as appears by particulars - - - - -	528	0	3

which is thus discharged	li.	s.	d.
By Disbursements - - -	51	11	3½
By money out - - - -	308	2	2
By Arrears - - - - -	145	18	2
By money - - - - - -	22	8	7½

	li.	s.	d.
which was paid to Joseph Butler succeeding Collector with 8s. John Wigfall rent, toto -	22	16	7½
more from overseers of Highwaies -	0	1	5

Arrears are as followeth

John Fowler 6s. 8d. John Courtnall 1 li. 8s. 9d. Thomas Wilson 3 li. 18s. 9d. John Wigfall 4 li. 15s. Robert Hydes 4 li. 6s. John Hancocke 9 li. 2s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 9s. 2d. Matthew Berry 1 li. 5s. 6d. John Tompson 5 li. 10s. 6d. James Webster 2s. 6d. Widdow Soobie 9s. Margrett Roberts 4s. Thomas Staniforth 1s. 6d. Thomas Pegg 16s. John Clayton 3s. Mr. Crooke 3s. Mr. Fisher 5 li. Mr. Hall 45 li. Joshua Bayes 12 li. 10s. Georg Shawe 2 li. 10s. James Tuke 2s. Joan Steemson 10d. Robert Turner 7 li. 13s. 4d. Georg Jackson 23 li. 6s. Robert Nannes 1 li. 2s. 6d. Ann Badger 14s. Thomas Shertcliffe 10 li Thomas Hobson 12s. John Taylor 1 li. 8s. Georg Metcalfe 17s. 6d. - - - - - - 145 18 2

Memorandum. The day and year aforesaid. Robert Nicholls, Samuell Hutchinson, Stephen Fox, Richard Marsh, James Nut, and John Wynter, Junior, overseers of the Highways, made their accompts, and was allowed.

Memorandum. When there is a full meeting that William Cattrell's request about Truelove Gutter be considered.

[P. 259.] The town of Sheffield.—The Accompt of Joseph Butler Collectour of the Rents belonging to the Trustees within the said town of Sheffield for one whole year now ended made the 12th day of May 1692.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with money received att the last Accompt passing as by the same Accompte appeares - - -	22	18	0
Alsoe with Arreares upon the foot of the last Accompt - - - - - - (Sic)	145	10	2
Alsoe with one whole yeares Rent as by the Rentall appeares - - - - -	78	3	2
Alsoe with money received of Mr. Bancks for Mr. Halls debt and Mr. Foxes with 2 li. 19s. 9d. deducted for suit charges - -	13	9	3

	li.	s.	d.
And with rent received of Philip Hawksworth for part of Mr. Halls land - - - - -	4	15	0
Alsoe with money in Thomas Lemons hand upon a morgage - - - - - - -	20	0	0
And with interrest for 3 years January 11. 1692	3	0	0
Alsoe with money due from Jonas Yoole - -	1	0	0
Alsoe from Castle Shemield upon Bond - -	10	0	0
Alsoe from Robert Turner and Jo. Ashmore -	10	0	0
And interrest for 5 yeares 1° Novembris 1692 -	2	10	0
Also from Mr. Wolehouse for - - - - -	143	8	0
And interrest for 120 li. for a year 6 li. and 143 for 2 years, 14 li. 6s. - - - - - -	20	6	0
In Mr. Cookes hand - - - - - -	20	0	0
And from Mr. Robert Soresbie for 32 li. and interrest for 5 years Februarii 6° 1692 - -	40	0	0
Summe totall of the Charge -	534	19	7
Disbursements as followeth			
To the whaits att last reckoning - - -	0	3	0
For 2 bottles of wyne then - - - - -	0	2	6
Charges about the Barker Poole feying it and leading the rubbish away - - - - -	4	0	0
For mending the lock of the doore - - -	0	0	4
October 7. Paid Ringers and ale att Bonefyres and drumer - - - - - - - - -	0	10	6
To the Ringers 5th November - - - -	0	5	0
Paid for repaireing the Pinfold att Town head -	0	11	10
Spent att a meeting about towns business -	0	1	6
Paid for feying flint well and Cowpitt lane well	0	1	6
Paid for paving the water syde against the Isle of Wight - - - - - - -	0	9	0
Paid for the Juries Dynner and verdict att the Court Leet - - - - - - - -	0	12	6
Paid the whaits their yeares wages - - -	3	0	0
Paid the Scavenger his yeares wages - -	0	13	4
To Widdow Bingham per order - - -	0	2	6
For Summoning a meeting - - - -	0	0	2
To John Bamforth for goeing to shew us Hall's land - - - - - - - - - -	0	0	6
For Hedging Feying and a Fludd Gate for it -	1	4	6
For 3 new Cloakes for the whaits - - -	7	9	11
For a nue Coat for the Beadle - - - -	1	10	6
Lent Nicholas Tompson the Beadle - - -	0	10	0
For a powle a hoope and pike for the Ladies bridg att the break of the storm [1] - -	0	1	2

[1] "1690 (91), 11th January. This night there was a most extraordinary storm of wind, accompanied with snow and sharp weather; it did great

	li.	s.	d.
For the Dynner att the takeing this Accompt -	1	5	0
The Collectors Fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
For a Rentall of Cheife rents and towns rent -	0	4	0
To the overseers of the poore the interrest of the poores C li. - - - - - - -	5	0	0
To Robert Hancock for makeing the whaits cloakes - - - - - - - - - -	0	10	6
For 3 Poll books making and figuring [2] - -	0	6	0
To John Styring which remaind due to him upon paying of Mr. Wilson as by his Accompt appeares - - - - - - - - -	1	16	9
[P. 260.] Lost by brass money taken by those that gathered for the Viccar - - -	0	11	8
To the Clarke for Entring these Accompts -	0	5	0
More to him for Collecting the towns and Cheife rent Easter reckonings and tythe wooll and Lamb - - - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
To the Belman, 2s., and Beadle, 1s. - -	0	3	0
Also the accomptant craves an allowance of 50s. abated Joshua Baies of the rent, for damage by calling in his money in order to the purchase of Stansall farme[3] - - -	2	10	0
	39	14	8

Money out upon Securitie

In Thomas Lemons hand 23 li. In Jonas Yooles hand 1 li. In Castle Shemields hand 10 li. Robert Turner and Jo. Ashmore 12 li. 10s. Mr. Wolehouse 163 li. 14s. Mr. Cooke 20 li. Mr. Soresbie 40 li. - - - - - 270 4 0

Memorandum to inquire about Mr. Hall and Mr. Fox bond what is due.

Arreares

Joshua Hicke 2s. 9d. Thomas Mathyman 6s. 8d. John Courtnall 1 li. 8s. 9d. Christopher Stewardson 5s. Thomas Wilson 4 li. 1s. 3d. John Wigfall 1 li. 15s. Robert Hydes 4 li. 9s. 4d. John Hancock 9 li. 6s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 9s. 2d. James Tuke 2s 2d. Widdow Soobie 9s. Joan Steemson 1s. Robert Turner 9 li. George Jackson 23 li. 14s. Robert Mathyman 5s. John Webster 1 li. 6s. 8d. James Barnes 10s. Robert Nunnes 2 li. 5s. John Walton 2 li. 12s.

harm in many places, blowing down houses, trees, &c., killing many people."—*Evelyn's Diary*, II. 313.

[2] Books for the poll tax of 1692. (See note 1, p. 248.)

[3] The Town Trustees have no property called "Stansall farme." The entry is not very intelligible. See pp. 235, 239, and 240.

James Tucknall 1 li. 5s. 6d. John Tomson 5 li. 15s. 6d. James Webster 2s. 6d. Margrett Roberts 4s. Widdow Heathcote 8d. Mr. Crooke 3s. 6d. William Leech 4s. Mr. Fissher 5 li. Georg Shawre 2 li. 10s. Ann Badger 14s. Roger Ward 1 li. 4s. 6d. Thomas Shertcliffe 10 li. Thomas Hobson 12s. Thomas Pegg 18s. John Clayton 3s. 6d. John Taylor 1 li. 8s. Georg Metcalfe 17s. 6d. Mr. Hall's land 75 li.- - - - - - - - - 173 12 7

The charge of this Accompt as appears is -	534	19	7
which is thus discharged			
By Disbursements - - - - - - -	39	14	8
By money out upon Securitie - - - -	270	4	0
By Arreares vncollected - - - - -	173	12	7
And by readie money - - - - - -	51	8	4
Summe totall of the Discharge is -	534	19	7

which said 51 li. 8s. 4d. was paid to William Burley Collectour for the succeeding yeare at passing this Accompte and soe the Accompte stands clear.

[P. 261.] The Accompt of William Burley Collector of the Rents belonging to the Trustees within the Town of Sheffield for one whole yeare now ended made the 31st day of May 1693.

	li.	s.	d.
Imprimis he chargeth himselfe with money received of Joseph Butler att passing his Accompt - - - - - - - - -	51	8	4
Alsoe with Arreares upon the foot of the Accompt - - - - - - - - -	173	12	7
Alsoe with one whole yeares rent due upon the Rentall- - - - - - - - - -	48	3	6
	273	4	5

Money out upon Bond and other Securitie

In Thomas Lemon's hand upon Morgage 20 li. And interrest for 4 yeares 4 li. Jonas Yoole 1 li. Castle Shemield 10 li. Alsoe Robert Turner and Jo. Ashmore 10 li. And interrest for 6 yeares 3 li. Alsoe Mr. Woolehouse 143 li. 8s. Interrest for 120 li. for a year and 143 li. for 3 years 27 li. 9s. Mr. Soresbie for 32 li. 32 li. And interrest for the same for 6 years February 6 1692 9 li. 12s. Mr. Cooke 20 li. Also Daniell Barnard 20 li.- - 300 9 0

The totall of the charg of this Accompt -	573	13	5
Whereout disbursed as followeth			
To the whaits for playing att Dynner at last Accompt passing - - - - - - -	0	3	0

	li.	s.	d.
To the Colliers who Feyed the Barker poole to mend their bargain - - - - - -	0	5	0
Paid to James Kay and others for work about the Pond well - - - - - - -	6	14	5
Spent at 3 severall meetings of the townesmen	0	1	10
Given to Thomas Allin by order - - -	0	7	0
Paid for ribbin for the whaits - - - -	0	4	0
To Mr. Hall by order of the Trustees - -	1	12	0
Paid for paveing att the churchyard syde and getting away the stones- - - - - -	0	8	5
Alsoe for paveing att the Ladies Bridge - -	0	13	2
Paid the Church Collector for workhouse rent -	0	10	0
To the Overseers of the poore interrest of the poores C li. - - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
To Nathan Huit for cleansing Flynt well- -	0	1	0
For painting the Beadles staffe - - -	0	1	0
For a cowle rake[1] for the Ladies Bridge - -	0	1	0
For the Juries Dynner at the Great Leet- -	0	10	0
For a ribbin for the Beadle - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Ringers this yeare- - - - - -	1	0	0
For worke att the Almeshouse and Gaseing (sic) the wyndows - - - - - - - -	0	9	4
mending churchyates - - - - - -	1	15	0
To the Scavinger his Fee- - - - - -	0	13	4
To the whaits their Sallarie - - - - -	3	0	0
To the Beadle his Sallarie - - - - -	3	10	0
Charges walling and repairing the townhead well - - - - - - - - - - -	1	15	8½
For a cheife and towns Rentall - - - -	0	4	0
For drawing Articles with Jo. Unwyn - -	0	2	0
For a coppie of the Decree of charritable uses and carriage to Mr. Sympson - - - -	0	5	2
For 2 coppies of the Survey of the Stumperley[2] lands in parchment - - - - - -	0	1	0
To Nicholas Tompson for dressing the Revestrie[3]	0	0	6
For the verdict of the Jury att Leete - -	0	2	6
For a horse hyre to Retforth and charges to direct the Bishopp to towne - - - - -	0	3	0
[P. 262.] For entering these Accompts - -	0	5	0
To John Styring for gathering the townes and cheife rents Easter dues and tythe wolle and lambe - - - - - - - - - -	5	0	0

[1] Coal rake: a rake for raking the ashes of a fire or oven.—*Halliwell.*

[2] Stumperlow.

[3] Revestry = a vestibule or apartment where the priest revested himself, *i.e.*, put on the sacred garments.—*Halliwell.*

	li.	s.	d.
For Dynner for those who were present att takeing these Accompts- - - - -	1	5	0
The Collectours Fee- - - - - - -	0	2	6
To the Belman 2s., the Beadle 1s. - - -	0	3	0
Alsoe the Accomptant crave (sic) allowance for 18d. abated to Joseph Bramhall - - -	0	1	6
Alsoe of an Arrear upon Halls land charged upon the Accomptant and left out in the Arrear of this yeares Rentall- - - -	75	0	0
Alsoe disbursed this year by the Accomptant about that land more then what he received -	26	14	7
Summe totall of the Disbursements -	138	6	7½

Money out upon Securitie

In Thomas Lemons hand with interrest 24 li. Jonas Yoole 1 li. Castle Shemield 10 li. Robert Turner with interrest 13 li. Mr. Wolehouse with interrest 170 li. 17s. Mr. Cooke 20 li. Mr. Soresbie with interrest 41 li. 12s. Daniell Barnard 20 li. and a years interrest unreceived - 300 9 0

Arreares

Thomas Brownell 2s. 3d. John Fowler 6s. 8d. Jo. Townroe 1s. 7d. Joshua Hicke 2s. 9d. John Courtnall 1 li. 8s. 9d. Christopher Stewardson 5s. Thomas Wilson 4 li. 3s. 9d. Robert Broadbent 14s. John Wigfall 3 li. 19s. 6d. Robert Hydes 4 li. 12s. 8d. John Hancock 9 li. 10s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 10s. 10d. James Tuckman 1 li. 5s. 6d. John Tompson 6 li. 0s. 6d. Idem a garden 6d. Ann Badger 14s. Roger Ward 1s. 4s. 6d. Thomas Shertcliffe 11 li. 5s. Thomas Hobson 1 li. James Webster 2s. 6d. Widdow Soobie 11s. Margrett Roberts 5s. Widdow Taylor 2s. John Nicholson 4s. Mr. Fisher 5 li. Georg Shawr 2 li. 10s. William Owen 1s. 6d. James Tuke 2s. 4d. Joan Steemson 1s. 2d. Robert Turner 10 li. 6s. 8d. George Jackson 24 li. 2s. Robert Mathyman 10s. John Webster 1 li. 6s. 8d. John Walton 2 li. 12s. Thomas Pegg 1 li. John Clayton 4s. John Taylor 1s. 8s. - - 99 17 3

The Charg of this Accompt is - - - -	573	13	5

which is thus discharged

By Disbursements and Allowances - - -	138	6	7½
By money upon Securitie - - - -	300	9	0
By Arrears - - - - - - - -	99	17	3
And by money to ballance - - - -	35	0	6½
Discharge in toto - - -	573	13	5

which said 35 li. 0s. 6½d. was paid to Joseph Downes att passing this Accompt the day and year aforesaid and soe the Accompt stands cleare.

[P. 263.] It is to be remembered that Mr. Soresbie received of Mr. Halls Arreares 40 li. one 20 li. whereof is lett to Daniell Parker, the other 20 li. yett remaines in Mr. Soresbies hands.

Ordered that John Webster and William Cattrell have 40s. equally divided betwixt them in satisfaction for their damage by the flood in the Truelove Gutter.

The Accompt of Joseph Downes Collectour of the Rents belonging to the Trustees for the town of Sheffield for one whole year now ended made the 23d day of May 1694.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with money received of William Burley att passing his Accompt - - - - - - - -	35	0	6½
Alsoe with Arrears upon the foot of the last Accompt - - - - - - - -	99	17	3
And with one whole yeares rent due upon the Rentall - - - - - - - - -	48	3	6
Alsoe with money in his hands upon his Accompt for Hallam lands - . - - - - -	15	1	6
And with money borrowed of Mr. John Brown for the use and by appointment of the Trustees - - - - - - - -	70	0	0
Alsoe with money in Thomas Lemons hand upon bond - - - - - - - -	20	0	0
And with interrest for 5 yeares- - - -	5	0	0
Alsoe in Jonas Yooles hand - - - -	1	0	0
Also in Castle Shemields hand - - - -	10	0	0
Alsoe in Mr. Woolhouse hand upon bond from him and Mr. Cooke - - - - -	143	8	0
Alsoe with Interrest for 120 li. for one yeare 6 li. and for 143 for 4 years - - - - -	34	12	0
Alsoe in Mr. Cookes hand - - - -	20	0	0
Alsoe in Mr. Soresbies hand - - - -	52	0	0
And interrest for 32 li. for 7 years and for 20 li. for one yeare - - - - - - - -	11	4	0
Alsoe in Daniell Barnards hand - - -	20	0	0
And interrest for 2 yeares- - - - -	2	0	0
Alsoe in John Goodwyns hand - - - -	20	0	0
Summe totall of the charg of this Accompt-	607	6	9½
Disbursements and payments as followeth			
Paid to Mr. James Lee for charges of entertaining the Lord Archbishopp of York and his Companie - - - - - - - -	18	6	8
Payd for 6 doz Bottles of wyne to present to his Grace the Duke of Norfolk - - - -	6	10	0

	li.	s.	d.
Paid Mr. Barlow which was borrowed of him by the Trustees - - - - - - -	10	0	0
Paid the Beadle for a yeares Sallarie - -	4	0	0
Paid the whaits for their yeares Sallarie - -	3	0	0
Paid them for playing att the last Dynner -	0	3	0
Paid for 6 yards of ribbin for them - - -	0	5	0
Paid for parte of their new Instruments - -	4	0	0
Paid the scavenger his years wages - - -	0	13	4
Charges att Mr. Peggs att a meetinge about the viccar - - - - - - - - - -	0	7	6
[P. 264.] Paid for mending the Ponds spout and for cramps and lead - - - - -	0	5	0
For mending the Barker poole doore- - -	0	0	10
To Mr. Cooke by order - - - - - -	0	1	6
To Mr. Pegg for a treat for his Grace the Lord Dukes Commissioners - - - - -	0	8	2
Charges expended with Captain Spencer and his soldiers and townesmen in wyne and ale upon the King's coronation [1] - - -	0	18	0
To Thomas and John Taylor for 121 yards paveing, leading Boulders and sleck for the Ladies Bridge - - - - - - -	1	7	0
Paid for the Juries Dynner and drawing the verdict att the Great Court Leet - - -	0	12	6
Paid the Church Collector for the workehouse rent - - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
Paid the Overseers of the poore the Interrest of the poores C li - - - - - - -	5	0	0
For a Rentall of townes rent and another of Cheife rent and one for Mr. Marriott his Grace's Commissioner - - - - -	0	5	6
For oyle for the towns chists - - - -	0	0	1
To John Styring for Collecting the townes and cheife rents and the viccars dues - - -	5	0	0
The Collectors Fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
For dynner for those who were present att takeing these Accompts - - - - - -	1	5	0
To the Clarke for entring the same - - -	0	5	0
To the Belman his fee, 2s. the Beadle, 1s. -	0	3	0
Charges of new Coat for the Beadle - -	1	5	6
For mending the Church yates - - -	0	2	0
Allowed John Webster and William Cuttrell towards their loss by the True love gutter breaking up - - - - - - - - -	2	0	0

[1] The coronation of William and Mary took place 11th April, 1689; so that it was rather late in getting recorded in the books of the Burgery.

	li.	s.	d.
Alsoe the Accomptant craves an Allowance of 10 li. 6s. 8d. an Arrear upon Robert Turner and now included in John Goodwyns bond -	10	6	8
Payd Mr. Wilson[1] for 4 years upon a promiss of Ten pounds per annum by the Trustees ending Maii 5° 1693 - - - - - -	40	0	0
Alsoe lent to the Church Burgesses for the same purpose - - - - - - -	30	0	0
Totall disbursed paid and allowed -	147	3	9

Moneys remaineing upon Bond

In Thomas Lemons hand 25 li. In Jonas Yooles 1 li. In Castle Shemields hand 10 li. In Mr. Wolehouse hand 178 li. In Mr. Cookes hand 20 li. In Mr. Soresbies hand 63 li. 4s. In Daniell Barnards hand 20 li. In John Goodwyns hand 20 li. Summe of moneys out upon Bond - 337 4 0

[P. 265.] Arrears onreceived.

Thomas Brownell 4s. 6d. John Courtnall 1 li. 13s. 9d. John Webster 7s. Thomas Wilson 4 li. 6s. 3d. John Wigfall 3 li. 19s. 6d. Robert Hydes 4 li. 16s. John Hancocke 9 li. 14s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 10s. 10d. James Tuckman 1 li. 5s. 6d. John Tompson 6 li. os. 6d. Widdow Soobie 9s. Margrett Roberts 6s. Widdow Heathcote 8d. John Hicke 3s. Mr. Fishers Executours 5 li. George Shawre 2 li. 10s. Mathew Owen 1s. 6d. James Tuke 2s. 6d. Joan Steemson 1s. 4d. John Goodwin 1 li. 6s. 8d. George Jackson 24 li. 10s. Robert Mathyman 10s. John Walton 5 li. 4s. Ann Badger 14s. Roger Ward 3 li. 13s. 6d. Thomas Shertcliffe 13 li. 15s. Thomas Hobson 1 li. Thomas Pegg 1 li. 2s. John Clayton 4s. 6d. John Taylor 1 li. 8s.

Summe totall of Arreares -	96	19	9
Charg. The Totall of the Charge of this Accompt as in particulars appeares is - -	607	6	9½
Discharge. By Disbursements, payments and Allowances - - - - - - - -	147	3	9
By money remaineing upon Bond - - -	337	4	0
By Arrears unreceived - - - - -	96	19	9
And with money to ballance - - - -	25	19	3½
Discharge in toto - - -	607	6	9½

13 April 1695. Then ordered that 20s. be allowed towards the inlarging of the Church lane well.

Memorandum the bond from Mr. Woolehouse and Mr. Cooke and that from Mr. Cooke were delivered to Mr. Bayes.

Sold to Mr. Bamforth the Slay and Upper Hallam Field and wood for 38 li.

[1] A payment to the Vicar.

[P. 266.] The Accompt of Mr. Joshua Bayes Collector of the Rents belonging to the Trustees for the town of Sheffield for one whole year now ended made the 8th day of May 1695.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with money received of Joseph Downes att passing his Accompt - - - - - - - -	25	19	3½
Alsoe with Arrears upon the foote of his Accompte - - - - - - - -	96	19	9
Alsoe with a yeares Rent as by the Rentall -	48	3	6
Alsoe with money in his hands upon the Accompt for Hallam lands - - - -	5	18	9
Alsoe with money in Thomas Lemons hands -	20	0	0
Alsoe interrest for 6 yeares - - - -	6	0	0
Alsoe due upon Jonas Yooles bond - - -	1	0	0
Also upon bond from Castle Shemield - -	10	0	0
Also upon bond from Mr. Wolehouse and Mr. Cooke due the 25th of this instant May principall and Interrest- - - - -	197	15	5
Alsoe upon bond from Mr. Cooke - - -	20	0	0
Alsoe from Mr. Soresbie for - - - -	52	0	0
And with Interrest for 32 li. for seaven yeares 11 li. 4s. and for 52 li. for one yeare 2 li. 12s. In all - - - - - - - - -	13	16	0
Also due from Daniell Barnard with interrest for a yeare - - - - - - - -	21	0	0
Alsoe from John Goodwyn for - - - -	21	0	0
And from the Church Burgesses - - -	30	0	0
	569	12	8½

Disbursements as followeth

Paid Mr. Wilson (the Vicar) for the year ending the 5th of May 1694 - - - - -	10	0	0
Paid the whaits for their wages- - - -	3	0	0
Paid the Beadle his wages - - - -	4	0	0
Paid for the Juries dynner and verdict of the Jurie att the Great Leete - - - -	0	12	6
Paid for worke done att the Ladies Bridge -	0	12	1
Paid the scavengers wages - - - -	0	13	4
Paid to John Stones and John Cooke for worke done att the Barker poole - - - -	0	19	9
Spent with Captain Hartopp and Christopher Peggs at the Coffeehouse - - - -	0	14	2
for knolling the day the Queene was buryed [1] -	0	3	0
Spent att a meeting at Mr. Soresbies - -	0	1	0

[1] Queen Mary died of small-pox on the 28th Dec., 1694. She was not interred till 5th March, 1695. There was universal mourning.

	li.	s.	d.
Given the Ringers for ringing the first day the new bells were hung[1] - - - - - -	0	2	6
Paid for a Rentall of townes rent and cheife -	0	4	0
Paid Mr. Marriott church Collector for rent for the workehouse - - - - - - -	0	10	0
Paid the Overseers of the poor interrest for the poores C li. - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
Paid them more Ann Shemild money - -	1	0	0
The Clarkes Sallarie for this yeare for collecting the Trustees rents, cheife rents, Tythe wooll and Lamb, viccars dues and attending the Board - - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
for Entring these Accompts - - - - -	0	5	0
For carriage of a letter to Mr. Symson - -	0	0	2
Alsoe the Accomptant craves allowance of 5s. cast short in John Tompsons Arreares last yeare - - - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
[P. 267.] The Collectors Fee - - - - -	0	2	6
For Dynner for those that were present att passing these Accompts - - - - -	1	5	0
To the Belman his Fee - - - - - -	0	2	0
To the Beadle his Fee - - - - - -	0	1	0
To Mr. Wordsworth for ribbin for the whaits and beadle - - - - - - - -	0	6	6
To the viccar for his yeares wages ended Maii 5° instant - - - - - - - -	10	0	0
Sum of Disbursements - -	44	19	6

Money lett out

To Thomas Lemons 20 li. and interrest 6 years 26 li. To Jonas Yoole 1 li. To Castle Shemield 10 li. To Doctor Wolehouse and Mr. Cooke 197 li. 15s. 5d. To Mr. Cooke 20 li. To Mr. Soresbie 65 li. 16s. To Daniell Barnard and interrest 21 li. To John Goodwin 20 li. And to the Church Burgesses 30 li. 391 11 5

The Charg of this Accompt as by particulars appeares is - - - - - - - -	569	12	8½
which is thus discharged			
By Disbursements - - - - - - -	44	19	6
By money lett out - - - - - - -	391	11	5
By Arrears unreceived - - - - - -	97	8	0½
And by money to ballance - - - - -	35	13	9
	569	12	8½

Arrears unreceived

Thomas Brownell 3s. 4½d. John Courtnall 1 li. 3s. 9d. John Webster 14s. Thomas Wilson 4 li. 8s. 9d. Robert

[1] See note on the bells, p. 236.

Broadbent 14s. John Wigfall 3 li. 19s. 6d. Robert Hydes 4 li. 19s. 4d. John Hancock 9 li. 18s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 12s. 6d. Robert Mathyman 15s. Ann Badger 2 li. 4s. Roger Ward 6 li. 2s. 6d. Thomas Shertcliffe 16 li. 5s. James Tuckman 1 li. 5s. 6d. John Tompson 6 li. 10s. 6d. Widdow Soobie 9s. John Hicke 1s. 6d. Mr. Fisher 5 li. George Shawre 2 li. 10s. James Tuke 2s. 8d. Joan Steemson 1s. 6d. George Jackson 24 li. 18s. Thomas Hobson 1 li. Thomas Pegg 1 li. 4s. John Clayton 5s. 97 8 8½

It is to be remembered that it was ordered by the Trustees that the Clarke have ten shillings out of the said sum of 35 li. 13s. 9d. for writeing the accounts of Hallam pro 2 yeares his paines in going thither severall tymes and the rest being £35 3s. 9d. was paid to Christopher Brumhead, collector for the year ensueing.

[P. 268.] Sheffield Towne.—The Accompt of Christopher Brumhead Collector of the Rents belonging to the Trustees for the said Towne for 2 yeares ending the 19th day of May 1697.

	li.	s.	d.
Inprimis he chargeth himselfe with money received of Joshua Bayes att passing his Accompt	35	3	9
Alsoe with Arrears upon the foot of his Accompt	97	8	0½
Alsoe with one whole yeares rent due upon the Rentall for the yeare 1695	48	3	6
Also one other yeares rent due for 1696	48	5	6
Alsoe with money received from Doctor Woolhouse beinge due upon Bond	172	2	10
Alsoe with 2 yeares interrest received of Daniell Barnard	2	0	0
And with money in his hand upon the foot of his Accompt for Hallam lands for these two yeares	33	6	8
Summe totall of the Receipts	436	10	3½

Money out upon bond and otherwaies in Thomas Lemons Executors hands 20 li. Alsoe with interest for 9 yeares 9 li. Jonas Yoole 1 li. Castle Shemield 10 li. Mr. Cookes Executors 20 li. Mr. Robert Soresbie 32 li. Interrest for 10 yeares 16 li. Idem Mr. Soresbie for 20 li. Alsoe interrest for 2 yeares 2 li. John Goodwyn 20 li. Interrest for 2 yeares 2 li. Daniell Barnard 20 li. The Church Burgesses which was leant them to pay of Mr. Wilson 30 li.

[Total out upon bond - - 202 0 0]

More that Mr. Chappell received of Doctor Wolehouse in part of his Debt	40	0	0

	li.	s.	d.
more received by them of Mr. Bamforth which he was to pay for Hallam land - - -	36	0	0
And money payd for them to Mr. Browne for which they had given securitie - - -	36	0	0
Summe of money out - -	314	4	0
The totall of the Charg - -	750	10	3½
Disbursements in the yeare 1695			
To the whaits for playing att Dynner att the last Accompt takeing - - - - -	0	3	0
Paid for wyne then - - - - - - -	0	3	0
Paid John Unwyn by order - - - -	2	1	0
To Hugh Tompson for his Sallarie - - -	0	13	4
To James Taylor for dressing the Almshouse -	0	2	9
To the whaits their wages - - - -	3	0	0
To the Beadle his wages - - - - -	4	0	0
Charges about repaireing the Ladies bridge for materialls and workmanshipp - - -	4	4	4
To Nathaniell Meares for kitts [small buckets] when the Bakehouse was on fyer - - -	0	2	6
To Mr. Wardsworth for the whaits cloaks -	10	6	0
To him more for the Beadles coate - - -	1	14	6
To John Hall for makeing them - - -	0	10	6
Charges about the bells - - - - -	0	12	0
To Nathan Huit for dressing townhead well and Flynt well - - - - - - -	0	2	0
For lattices for the Almeshouse - - -	0	1	2
For mending the Church yates - - -	0	2	6
For paveing Ladies Bridge and Churchyates -	2	19	6
[P. 269.] To Mr. Bancks for suite charges about Yealand and Shore - - - -	2	13	4
For the Juries verdict and dynner att the Great Court Leet - - - - - - - -	0	12	6
for Fencing the waterie lane - - - -	0	0	6
For Ribbons for the whaits and mending the Beadle's coate - - - - - - -	0	7	10
for the Dynner for the Trustees - - -	1	10	0
To the whaits for playing 2s., and Shephards entrance 2s. 6d. - - - - - - -	0	4	6
For wyne 3s. to the Belman and Beadle 3s. -	0	6	0
To Thomas Savage for work done att the viccaridge - - - - - - - -	28	14	8
The Collectors Fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
For Rentalls for the town and Cheife - -	0	4	0
Paid the Rent for the workhonse - - -	0	10	0
To the Overseers of the poor for interrest of the poores C li. and An Shemields guifte -	6	0	0

	li.	s.	d.
For the verdict att the Assemblies Inquest -	0	2	6
The Clarkes Sallarie for Collecting the townes and Chiefe rents and assisting the viccars Mr. Wilson and Mr. Drake in their Collections	5	0	0
For Entring these Accompts - - - - -	0	5	0
Sum Disbursed in the year 1695 - -	77	11	5
Disbursements in the yeare 1696			
To the Beadle his wages - - - - - -	4	0	0
To the Scavenger - - - - - - -	0	13	4
To the whaits - - - - - - - -	3	0	0
for 2 packs of halfe pennies bringing from London - - - - - - - -	1	6	0
for 2 lambes to present the Duke of Norfolke -	1	2	0
for 4 dozen bottles of wyne - - - - -	3	12	0
To the Dukes servants - - - - - -	0	15	0
Paid towards making the new well at the church yates - - - - - - -	1	10	0
To the well in Cowpitt lane - - - - -	0	5	6
for feying Flint well and Townhead well - -	0	2	0
To Thomas Hoyland - - - - - -	0	2	6
for worke about the River syde - - - -	0	2	0
spent receiveing Doctor Woolhouse money -	0	3	0
Paid Mr. Brown which was borrowed of him by the Trustees and Church Burgesses to pay Viccar Wilson - - - - - - -	85	15	0
Paid for repaireing the Bridge att the Truelove Gutter - - - - - - - - -	0	8	6
For the Dynner and verdict for the Jurie att the Great Leete - - - - - - -	0	12	6
Paid Crippin about Unwin's cloake - - - -	0	5	0
To Mr. Wordsworth - - - - - -	0	8	1
To Richard Dodworth for worke about the Church yates - - - - - - -	0	7	0
For getting Shephards badg and Cloake - -	0	1	0
For the Dynner for those who were present att takeing these Accompts - - - - -	1	10	0
For wyne and to the whaits - - - - -	0	6	0
To the Belman and Beadle - - - - -	0	3	0
The Collectours fee - - - - - - -	0	2	6
To Mr. Wadsworth for Ribbin - - - -	0	5	0
To him more for Ribbin - - - - - -	0	6	6
Lost by money and gold taken by tale and paid by weight, silver 12s vjd. 3 guineas 24s.[1] -	1	16	6

[1] The coinage was in great confusion, and very scarce. Clipping the coin was practised to an intolerable extent, so that, as Evelyn says, "there

	li.	s.	d.
To John Lee and Daniell Bridges Overseers of the poore the interrest of the poores C li. -	5	0	0
To them An Shemields Guift - - - -	1	0	0
Paid the workhouse rent - - - - -	0	10	0
For new Rentall for the townes and Cheife Rents - - - - - - - - -	0	4	0
The Clarkes Sallarie for Collecting the townes and cheife Rents and assisting the Viccar in his Collections - - - - - -	5	0	0
For entring these Accompts - - - -	0	5	0
Summe disbursed in 1696 - - -	120	18	11

Moneys lett out

To Thomas Lemons Executours Principall and Interrest 29 li. Jonas Yoole 1 li. Castle Shemield 10 li. Mr. Cookes Executours 20 li. Mr. Soresbie Principall and interrest 70 li. John Goodwin 22 li. Daniel Barnard 20 li. The Church Burgesses indebted to the Trustees as in the Charge of this Accompt 142 li. Sum of moneys out - 314 0 0

The Charge of this Accompt as appeares in particulars is - - - - - - -	750	10	3½
which is thus discharged			
By Disbursements 1695 - - - - -	77	11	5
In the yeare 1696 - - - - - -	120	18	11
By money lett out - - - - - -	314	0	0
By Arrears - - - - - - -	124	12	4½
And by money to ballance the Accompt - -	113	7	7
	750	10	3½

which said summe of 750 li. 10s. 3½d. remaines in the Accomptants hands and soe the Accompt stands clear.

[P. 271.] Arrears of the aforesaid Accompt.

Thomas Brownell 5s. 4½d. John Fowler 1 li. 6s. 8d. Christopher Stewardson 1 li. Benjamin Turner 10s. James Stevin 14s. John Webster 1 li. 8s. Thomas Wilson 4 li. 13s. 9d. Robert Brodebent 1 li. 8s. John Wigfall 4 li. 10s. 6d. Robert Hydes 5 li. 6s. John Hancocke 10 li. 6s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 15s. 10d. James Tuckman 1 li. 5s. 6d. John Tompson 7 li. 1s. 6d. Raph Shore 10s. Mathew Owen 2s. 3d. Widdow Taylor 4s. John Hicke 7s. 6d. Mr. Fisher 5 li. Joshua Bayes 5 li. George Shawre 2 li. 10s. James Tuke 3s. Joan Steemson 1s. 10d. George

was hardly any money that was worth above half the nominal value." On the 23rd Dec., 1695, a proclamation was issued prohibiting the currency of half crowns, and Parliament was busy with schemes for reforming the currency.

Jackson 25 li. 10s. Robert Mathyman 10s. Thomas Mathyman 2 li. 15s. John Walton 5 li. 4s. John Greaves 1 li. 8s. Ann Badger 2 li. 4s. Roger Warde 9 li. 16s. 6d. Thomas Shertcliffe 19 li. 2s. 6d. Thomas Hobson 8s. Thomas Pegg 1 li. 8s. John Clayton 6s.

Summe totall of the Arrears - 124 12 4½

Sheffield Towne.—The Account of Christopher Broomhead Collector of the Rents belongeing to the Trustees for the said towne for i year ending the 3rd of June 1698.

	li.	s.	d.
Imprimis he] chargeth himselfe with money in his hands att passing his last Account - -	113	7	7
Alsoe by money received of Mr. Cooke - -	23	0	0
Alsoe by money received this last year in Rents and Arrears of Rent - - - - -	50	17	6
Alsoe more Received of Richard Hinde - -	1	0	0
Alsoe more Received of Nathaniell Hall - -	0	14	0
Alsoe more Received for Hallam land - -	12	5	6
	201	4	7
Alsoe more Received since the Account was drawne up - - - - - - -	1	12	2
Summe totall of the Charge -	202	16	9
Discharge.			
Moneys paid to Mr. Barlow - - - -	60	0	0
To Mr. Drake (vicar) [1] - - - - -	10	0	0
To Mr. Turie upon bond [2] - - - - -	50	0	0
for the Bridge and Almes house and other necessaryes as appeares by bill of perticulers	58	10	7
moneys in Mr. Styrings hands - - - -	1	19	8
To take of (off) for Hallam land that was omitted being this years Disbursements - - -	0	19	9
Sume totall of the Discharge -	181	10	0
In the Accountants hands to ballance - -	21	6	9

which he paid to Mr. Smith.

[On] the [foot of the previous page facing this account] the particulers of the 58 li. 10s. 7d. disbursed by Christopher Bromhead for the year 1697 and sett down in grosse on the other side (videlicet) :

To the waits att Dinner - - - - - -	0	3	0
For wine at Dinner - - - - - - -	0	3	0

[1] Nathan Drake, M.A., was appointed vicar of Sheffield 1st Oct. 1695, on the resignation of Charles Wilson, M.A.

[2] Probably Robert Turie, one of the Assistant Ministers.

	li.	s.	d.
The Scavengers years waiges - - - - -	0	13	4
The Beadle his years waiges - - - - -	4	0	0
The waites their years waiges - - - - -	3	0	0
Iron worke for the Church yates - - - -	0	3	2
To Thomas Savidge for repaireing the Ladys bridge, for Hair, Lime, Mault, Cramps, Lead, Stone, Sodds, paveing, Drinke and Drinkins[1] in all - - - - - - - - - -	13	16	4
To Thomas Savidge workemanship about the Almeshouse - - - - - - - - -	1	15	8
The waites Ribbins - - - - - - - -	0	11	0
The Beadles Ribbin - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
For wine when peace with France was proclaimed[2] - - - - - - - - -	3	0	0
Ale at Bonefyers - - - - - - - -	2	0	0
Coates - - - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
To the waites - - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
To the Ringers - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
Wine to treat the Duke[3] - - - - - - -	5	8	0
Given to the servants - - - - - - -	0	10	0
Spent with Mr. Whaley[4] at severall times -	0	7	6
Paid the Ringers, 5s., given to poor People 4s. 6d., for dressing the Ladies Brrdge 1s. -	0	10	6
paid Ro. Bullas and Richard Dodworth for mending the Church yates - - - - -	0	9	8
Paid for the Jurys dinner - - - - - -	0	10	0
Paid for glazing the Almeshouse - - - -	1	8	0
more wine to the Mannor - - - - -	5	8	0
to the servants - - - - - - - - -	0	7	6
Expenses of Judge Turton[5] at Mr. Peggs - -	4	16	0
To the Bellman and Saxton - - - - -	0	3	0
The Collectors Fee - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
paid the poore - - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
Rent for the workehouse - - - - - - -	0	10	0

[1] Drinkings: an old Yorkshire word for an afternoon meal. *Halliwell* says it is now applied to a refreshment between meals.

[2] The peace of Ryswick, 20th Sept., 1697.

[3] Henry, 7th Duke of Norfolk.

[4] 1697.—Peter Walley, an engineer of Nottingham, obtained from the Duke of Norfolk the lease of a rood of land near the Lady's Bridge; a lease of that part of the River Don which lies between Lady's Bridge and Cawton's Weir; and a piece of waste ground near Barker's Pool, with license to break up the streets of the town for laying his pipes, for the purpose of better supplying the town with water.—*Sheffield Local Register*, p. 29. See also Note 1, p. 227.

[5] See Note 1, p. 267.

	li.	s.	d.
The Jurys verdict - - - - - - -	0	2	6
The Dinner for those that tooke the Accounts -	1	10	0
Wine - - - - - - - - -	0	3	0
For drink at repaireing the Almeshouse - -	0	1	11

[P. 272.] The Account of Mr. Henry Smith Collector of the Rents belonging to the Trustees for the Towne of Sheffield for one whole yeare now ended made the 24th day of May 1699.

	li.	s.	d.
Imprimis he Chargeth himselfe with money received of the last Collector att passing his Account - - - - - - - -	21	6	0
Alsoe with Arreares on the foot of the last Account - - - - - - - -	113	11	8
Alsoe with money received of the Church Collectors for the Cheife rent - - - - -	0	7	2
Alsoe with money in John Goodwins hands -	20	0	0
Alsoe Interest for 4 yeares - - - - -	4	0	0
Alsoe with money in Daniell Barnittes hands -	20	0	0
Alsoe Interest for i yeare - - - - - -	1	0	0
Alsoe with a yeares Rent as by the Rentall -	48	10	0
Alsoe Mr. Turie upon Bond - - - - -	50	0	0
Alsoe Mr. Soresbie upon Bond - - - -	100	0	0
Alsoe with money Received in Castle Shemields hands - - - - - - - - - -	10	0	0
Alsoe due upon Jonas Yoole bond - - - -	1	0	0
Alsoe with money Received of old Arreares -	100	0	0
Alsoe with money Received about Hallam land over and above Disbursements - - - -	23	5	2½
Sume totall of the Receiptes -	413	0	0½
Disbursements as followeth			
Paid Mr. Stead and Christofer Stacy Collectors of the Land tax 9s. for the Townes stock and 1 li. 5s. 6d. more by reason Mr. Boughton Mr. Armitage and John Pearson gott of (oft) from the Assessment, and it being charged on the towne - - - - - - - -	1	13	6
Paid a man for going to Derby with Judge Turton's fish [1] - - - - - - - -	0	12	0
Paid the Overseers of the Poore Interest for the Poores 100 li. - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
Paid them more An Shemields money - -	1	0	0

[1] John Turton was a Baron of the Exchequer from 1689 to 1695, and a judge of the Court of Queen's Bench, 1702.

	li.	s.	d.
Paid Mr. Drake [the vicar] - - - - -	10	0	0
Paid the Master of the House of Correction att Wakefield for bringing his Prisoners to the sessions - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
Paid Mr. Wordsworth the Beadles bill - -	1	16	5
Paid James Kay for the bridge, stone stoopes[1] and fixing - - - - - - - -	0	9	0
Paid him more for mending the bottom of the bridge - - - - - - - - -	1	13	0
Paid him more about mending the Trawlove Gutter vt per bill - - - - - - -	0	14	2
Paid Richard Dodworth for worke done att the Cutlers' hall before the sessions - - -	0	3	8
Paid Mary Styring her fathers last Sallary -	5	0	0
Paid Christopher Broomhead which he had laid out at the last feast - - - -	0	5	6
	28	12	3
[P. 273.] Paid the last feast to the waites -	0	3	0
Gave Joshua North - - - - - - -	0	2	6
Gave a poore schollar at Mr. Drake's request -	0	1	0
Gave the waites theire years sallary - - -	3	0	0
Paid Mr. Wordsworth on theire Account and Beadles - - - - - - - -	1	16	5
Paid Thomas Ryalls his years Sallary - -	0	13	4
Paid Thomas Webster his yeares Sallary - -	4	0	0
Paid Thomas Hancock for makeing his Coate -	0	3	6
Paid Thomas Hobson for mossing the Almes-house and for Moss and Repaireing a house in Neiw [New] Streete - - - - - -	0	15	4
Paid Mr. Staniforth Church Collector a years Rent pro Workehouse - - - - - -	0	10	0
Paid several messingers for goeing to sumons the freeholders to goe to Yorke on my Lord Downe's account[2] - - - - - - -	0	6	8
Paid for clensing the streets against the Sessions	0	1	6
Paid the Jurys Dinner at Easter Court Leet -	0	10	0
For drawing the verdict 2s. 6d., for Entring these Accounts 5s. - - - - - -	0	7	6
For makeing townes Rentall and Cheife Rentall - - - - - - - - - -	0	4	0
Paid the Clerk sallary for this year for helping the Collector in gatering the Trustees Rents			

[1] Stoopes: a north country word for posts.

[2] Henry, Viscount Downe in the peerage of Ireland, was elected one of the Members for the County of York, 27th July, 1698.

	li.	s.	d.
and Gatering Chiefe Rent Tyth Wool and Lamb, Viccars dues, attending the Boarde[1] -	5	0	0
Paid for ale when the Townes men mett at Mr. Soresbyes - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
Paid John Pell - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
Paid for ale when the Townesmen mett att my house - - - - - - - - -	0	1	4
6 Quarts of Wine to Mr. Banks when Sir John Kay was there[2] - - - - - - -	0	9	0
for wine and ale when Mr. Bradshaw and Mr. Ramsden was here about Neiw Eleccion 4 li. 8s. 2d. out of which R. Downes paid on the Corporacion account 1 li. 14s. soe remaines -	2	14	4
4 Quarts of wine when my Lord Downes Gentleman came over - - - - - - -	0	6	0
for wine att Sessions to treat the Justices -	3	3	9
	24	11	0
[P. 274.] 9 Quarts of wine to treate Cheife Constable att the Statutes - - - - -	0	13	6
Att Mr. Ellisons when Sir John Kay was there	0	15	0
More att Mr. Peggs when Mr. Bradshaw was there - - - - - - - - -	0	4	6
Paid William Carr John Bright and James Kay for wood, Railes and other thinges att the Bridge vt per bill - - - - - -	0	9	10
Paid Samuell Carr pro Chaine and Staples -	0	12	4
Paid Widdow Bullas her husbands bill about the Hall - - - - - - - -	4	1	4
The Collectours dinner - - - - - -	1	10	0
28 12 3 Sume Disbursed - -	61	9	9
24 11 0			
8 6 6 [These are the amounts of the separate pages of the accounts.]			
61 9 9			

[1] This and other entries about this time, showing that the Trustees assisted the vicar in collecting his small tithes, are curious. Of the tithes of Sheffield two-thirds belonged to the Duke of Norfolk, coming to him through the Earl of Shrewsbury, who in the reign of Edward VI. obtained a grant from the Crown including two third parts of the tithe of wool and lambs, oblations, Easter book, minute and privy tithes in the same ample manner as the monks of St. Anne's, Coventry, had enjoyed them. The other one-third part, together with the vicarage house, at that time was the only emolument of the vicar. In 1732 the Duke of Norfolk's share of the tithe was leased to Vicar Dossie at a rent of £15 a year. Vicar Wilkinson bought the Duke of Norfolk's tithes towards the close of the 18th Century and settled them on the Vicars of Sheffield, his successors, subject to a charge of £10 a year for the Sheffield General Infirmary.

[2] Sir John Kay represented York County from 25th March, 1684-5, to 7th July, 1698. He did not sit in the Parliament of 1698, but was returned, along with Lord Fairfax, 8th January, 1701.

Money lett out

To John Goodwin 20 li. To Daniell Barnitt 20 li. To Mr. Turie 50 li. To Mr. Soresbie 100 li. To Castle Shemeild 10 li. To Jonas Yoole 1 li Summe of Moneys now out 201 li. To Mr. Soresby 21 li. 6s. 9d. [Total out.] - 222 6 9

	li.	s.	d.
Charge. The Charge of this Account as appeares is - - - - - - -	413	0	0½
which is thus discharged			
Discharge. By Disbursements - - - -	61	9	9
By Money out on Security - - - -	222	6	9
By Arreares uncollected - - - - -	117	1	1
By ready money - - - - - -	12	2	5½
	413	0	0½

which said summe of 12 li. 2s. 5½d. was paid to Richard Downes who is appointed Collector for the yeare ensueing and soe the Accountant cleared.

[P. 275.] Arrears unreceived

Thomas Brownill 4s. 10d. John Webster 2 li. 2s. Robert Hides 4 li. 7s. 2d. John Hancock 10 li. 14s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 15s. 10d. James Tuckman 1 li. 5s. 6d. James Tompson 7 li. 5s. Widdow Hall 6d. Matthew Owen 1s. 6d. John Hicks Executours 10s. 6d. Thomas Marshall 5s. 2d. Thomas Pegg 1s. 12s. Thomas Wilson 4 li. 18s. 9d. John Wigfall 5 li. 1s. 6d. Mr. Fishers Executors 5 li. George Shore 2 li. 10s. James Tuke 3s. 4d. Joan Stevenson 2s. 2d. John Goodwin 6s. 8d. George Jackson 26 li. 6s. Robert Mathewman 1 li. Thomas Mathewman 2 li. 5s. John Greaves 14s. Ann Badger 14s. Roger Warde 12 li. 5s. 6d. Thomas Shertcliffe 22 li. 18s. 6d. Thomas Hobson 16s. John Clayton 7s. Summe totall of the Arreares 116 li. 13s. 1d. John Taylor 8s. - - - - 117 1 1

Anno Domini 1700.

[P. 276.] The Burgery of the Towne of Sheffield.—The Account of Richard Downes Collector there taken the 15th day of May in the year 1700 for the Rents and Revenues belongeing to the said Burgerry for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

The Charge	li.	s.	d.
First he chargeth himselfe with money Received of Henry Smith att passing his Account - - - - - - -	12	2	5½
Alsoe with arrears upon the foote of his Account	116	2	6

	li.	s.	d.
Alsoe with a yeares Rent ended at Martinmas last as by the Rentall - - - - - -	48	10	0
Alsoe with money in his hands on his Account for Hallam lands - - - - - - -	24	18	2½
Alsoe with money in Mr. Turies Hands, 50 li. and 4 li. 10s. for Interist - - - - -	54	10	0
Alsoe with money received of Nathaniell Mares	0	11	0
Alsoe with money Received of John Goodwin -	20	0	0
Also with money received of Benjamin Pearson the present master cuttler, the Cuttlers share of the Charges expended in treating the Arch Bishop - - - - - - - - - -	5	0	0
Alsoe on bond from Daniell Barnitt - -	20	0	0
Alsoe on Bond from Mr. Robert Soresbie - -	100	0	0
Interest for a yeare 5th of June 1699 - -	5	0	0
Alsoe more in Mr. Soresbie's hands - - -	21	6	0
Interest for 2 yeares - - - - - -	2	2	0
The Summe of the Charge -	430	2	2
Whereof Disbursed by the said Collector as followeth :			
Paid Mr. Drake for the Yeare ending 5th of May 1700 our Gratuity - - - - -	10	0	0
to Mrs. Hall att Passing a Surrender of Hallam lands - - - - - - - - - -	1	1	6
Expences att that time - - - - - -	0	1	6
To Nicholas Lockey for his attendance - -	0	1	0
Charges goeing amongst the Tenants att Hallam	0	0	7
To Thomas Ryalls the Scavinger his waiges -	0	13	4
Paid the waites their waiges - - - - -	3	0	0
to Godfrey Barnes for enquireing into the Parke Rents - - - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
Paid the Beadle his waiges - - - - -	4	0	0
Paid a years tax to the King for the Townes Stock - - - - - - - - - -	0	13	6
to Richard Dodworth and John Bright for mending 6 pair of Gaites belongeing to the Church yarde - - - - - - - -	0	6	6
Spent at Mr. Soresbies at a Meeting about the Sessins - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
To the Master of the House of Correction[1] -	0	5	0
Paid Mr. Sylvester Mr. Barlows bill - -	12	12	6
Spent of the Cheife Constables at the Statuts -	0	4	6
Spent att a meeteing about the Townes Hall -	0	3	4

[1] An Act was passed in 1611 requiring every county to build a House of Correction in which to set rogues and idle persons to work. The magistrates appointed a master or governor to each House of Correction, who had power to set the rogues to work and punish with fetters and whipping idle and disorderly persons. Each township contributed.

	li.	s.	d.
To Mr. John Bright Church Collector Rent for the workhous	0	10	0
Spent at Mr. Soresbies at a meeteing about the Incroachment at the Sesterne house [1]	0	1	0
[Total]	33	17	3
[P. 277.] Spent at Mr. Peggs with Mr. Renny, Mr. Sylvester and Mr. Diston	0	2	3
Paid the Overseers of the poore Interest for the poors 100 li.	5	0	0
Paid them more Ann Shemeilds Gifte	1	0	0
At Mr. Bacons when the Duke of Norfolkes peticion came downe	0	1	6
To Thomas Ryalls for clensing at the Church yates	0	0	4
To John Roebotham for mending 2 doors att the Almeshouses	0	0	8
Spent with Mr. Banks and Mr. Renny att Mr. Peggs	0	4	9
Spent at sealing the articles with Mr. Renny about building the Towns hall	0	4	10
Gave Mr. Renny for drawing the Draught of the hall	2	3	0
Paid for the Jurys Dinner and Jurys verdict att the Greate Court Leete	0	12	6
to John Tayler and partner for taking up the stones att the Well att the Church Lane ende	0	1	8
Paid when the Archbishop was heare	13	14	7
To Mr. Pegg Wine att the Sessions and when Sir John Kay was in towne	6	2	6
To Mrs. Hobson for the Whaites Cloakes	9	9	0
May 8th 1700 paid Mr. Renny the first payment towards building the Townes hall [2]	50	0	0
The Clarks Sallary for this yeare for Assisting to Collect the Trustees Rents, Cheife Rents, Tyth Woll and Lamb, Viccars dues and attending the Boarde	5	0	0
for entring these Accounts	0	5	0
Makeing Towns Rentall and Cheife Rentall	0	4	0

[1] Probably this "sesterne house" is the building marked as "water works" in Oughtibridge's View of Sheffield.

[2] The Town hall was built at the corner of Church yard and Church street. The Duke of Norfolk contributed £100, on condition of holding his Manorial Courts there. Nield, in his remarks on the prisons of Yorkshire, 1802, says, "The lobbies under the Town hall are three dark cells, which open into a narrow passage, the largest, 8 ft. high by 6 ft. square." This Town hall was pulled down and the old materials sold for £168.

	li.	s.	d.
for a Writt against Robert Hall and William Fox and passage to Yorke and drawing longe Surrender from Mr. Hall and his Wife - -	0	14	0
Paid Mr. Drake [the vicar] by order - -	0	10	0
to the whaites for playing att Dinner at the last Account takeing - - - - - - -	0	3	0
Paid for wine then - - - - - - -	0	4	6
For dinner for those that tooke this Account -	1	10	0
To the Bellman and Beadle - - - - -	0	3	0
[Total] - -	97	11	1
Money out upon Security			
to Mr. Soresbie 100 li. Interest for one yeare 5 li. Alsoe more in his hands 21 li. 6s. Interest for 2 yeares 2 li. 2s. Alsoe to Daniell Barnitt 20 li. [Total] -	148	8	0
Summe totall of the Charge of this Account -	430	2	2
which is thus Discharged			
By Disbursements - - - - - - -	131	8	4
By Money lett out - - - - - - -	148	8	0
By arrears - - - - - - - -	119	4	5
[Total] - -	399	0	9
Which taken from the Charge remaines to Ballance - - - - - - - -	31	1	5

[P. 278.] Arrears.

Thomas Brownell 7s. 1d. Benjamin Turner 10s. John Webster 2 li. 2s. Thomas Wilson 5 li. John Wigfall 5 li. 7s. Robert Hides 4 li. 8s. 10d. John Hancock 10 li. 18s. 8d. John Pearson 1s. James Tuke 3s. 6d. Joan Stevenson 2s. 4d. John Goodwin 1 li. 13s. 4d. George Jackson 26 li. 14s. Thomas Mathewman 3 li. 7s. 6d. John Greaves 14s. William Sugden 2 li. 17s. 6d. James Tuckman 1 li. 5s. 6d. James Tompson 7 li. 6s. 6d. Widdow Hall 1s. Mathew Owen 3s. Mr. Fishers Executors 5 li. George Shore 2 li. 10s. Ann Badger 1 li. 10s. Roger Warde 9 li. 14s. 6d. Thomas Shertcliffe 24 li. 4s. 6d. Thomas Hobson 16s. Thomas Marshall 5s. More 2d. Thomas Pegg 1 li. 14s. John Clayton 7s. 6d. [Total] - - £119 4 5

It is to be Remembered that the summes of money due from the persons hereafter mencioned for the future be struck out of the Rentall and Accounts. Mr. Fishers Executours 5 li. Thomas Pegg 1 li. 14s. John Clayton 7s. 6d. Castle Shemeld 10 li. James Tompson 7 li. 6s. 6d. George Jackson 26 li. 14s. John Goodwin 1 li. 6s. 8d. [Total] - 52 8 8

ANNO DOMINI 1701.

[P. 279. The Burgesses of the Towne of Sheffield.—The Account of Richard Downes Collector there taken the 4th day of June in the year 1701 for the Rents and Revenues belongeing to the said Burgerry for one whole year ended att Martinmas last.

the Charge.	li.	s.	d.
First he chargeth himselfe with money in his hands att the last Account Passinge - -	31	1	5
Alsoe with Arrears upon the foote of the last Account - - - - - - - -	76	15	9
Alsoe with a Years Rent as by the Rentall -	48	1	0
Alsoe with money Received of Daniell Barnitt 20 li. and one years Interest 1 li. - - -	21	0	0
Alsoe on Bond from Mr. Robert Soresbie -	100	0	0
Alsoe for two years Interest the 5th of June 1700 - - - - - - - - -	10	0	0
Alsoe more in Mr. Soresbys hands - - -	21	6	0
Interest for 3 Years - - - - - - -	3	3	0
Received of Mrs. Ellison which wee borrowed of her on Bond - - - - - - -	100	0	0
Received of the Church Burgesses on Account of theire Debt - - - - - - -	20	0	0
Received more of Mr. Jonathan Lee on the same Account - - - - - - -	35	0	0
More from him on the same Account - -	4	0	0
Alsoe Received of Hallam Tenants - - -	23	11	6
Charge - -	493	18	8

Whereof Discharged by the said Collector as followeth

[P. 280.] Paid the waites att the last feast -	0	3	0
Same day to the Beadle Belman and Saxton -	0	3	0
And for 2 bottles of wine - - - - - -	0	3	0
To Thomas Ryalls for removeing Bolders att the Church yates 2 dayes - - - -	0	1	1
to the workemen at laying the foundacion of the Hall - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
to Mr. Renny for digging the foundacion further than bargaine - - - - - -	0	15	0
to John Ellis of Hallam First Quarter tax to the King - - - - - - - -	0	3	6
To Daniell Bridges and George halfe a yeares tax to the King - - - - - -	0	3	4½
To Mr. Renny the 2d Payment - - -	50	0	0
To Mr. Thomas Barlow the ballance of the Account due to him - - - - -	3	0	0

	li.	s.	d.
Spent the same time at paying it - - -	0	1	0
to Thomas Ryalls a Quarters waiges - -	0	3	4
To Thomas Webster a Quarters waiges - -	1	0	0
to the waites a quarters waiges - - -	0	15	0
to Thomas Bradbury Constable of Hallam an Assessement - - - - - - -	0	1	8
at Yorke serching for old John Crook will -	0	1	0
to Mr. Sitwell for a Bond for Mrs. Ellison, 100 li. - - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
Spent at Receiveing of it - - - - - -	0	0	6
to Mr. Renny the 3d payment - - - -	50	0	0
to the workemen at the Hall - - - -	0	1	6
to Joseph Warrington 2 Assessements for Hallam poore - - - - - - - -	0	3	0
the Beadles coate ut per bill - - - -	1	1	3½
and for 3 dozen of Buttons - - - -	0	2	3
and for makeing his coate - - - -	0	4	6
at the Rearing of the Hall workemen - -	1	0	0
to John Ellis of Hallam 2nd Quarter payment to the King - - - - - - - -	0	3	6
Jonathan Woollen Cheife Rent - - -	0	4	6½
7 yards ½ of Ribbin for the waites and the Beadle at 14d. per yard - - - -	0	8	9
to Mr. Renny the 4th payment - - -	50	0	0
opening the Sow[1] at Church Lane end - -	0	0	10
Thomas Ryalls a Quarters waiges - - -	0	3	4
paid for clensing and taking away Rubbish in the Channell before the Hall - - -	0	1	6
[P. 281.] att Mrs. Peggs with Mr. Banks Mr. Staniforth Mr. Bacon and Mr. Diston when he was going to London to move about 100 li.	0	8	9
Thomas Webster a quarters waiges - - -	1	0	0
Daniell Bridges and George Fox ½ a years tax to the King - - - - - - - -	0	3	4½
paid for a book of Gold to Gild the Ball upon the Hall - - - - - - - -	0	3	0
to the waites a quarters waiges - - -	0	15	0
to John Broadhead for 3 stone stoops for the Gates to the Church lane - - - -	1	0	0
to John Crooks for wood and worke at the stoops and rails before the Hall - - -	1	0	5
To John Ellis the 3d Quarters tax to the King -	0	3	6
to John Taylor and Partners for paveing 213 yards before the Hall - - - - - -	0	15	0

[1] Sow; sough or sewer.

	li.	s.	d.
and for paveing 30 yards with broad pavers 3½d. per yarde - - - - - - - -	0	8	9
And for setting downe the well in the Church lane - - - - - - - - -	0	4	0
Thomas Webster 29 yards of Pavers at 7d. a yarde - - - - - - - -	0	16	11
Nathaniell Sadler 11 dayes and a halfe digging and carrying Rubbish - - - - - -	0	11	6
John Raynes a peece of a day - - - - -	0	0	4
one Tompson halfe a day - - - - -	0	0	6
To the Church Burgesses a Years Rent - -	0	10	0
Candles at the Sessions - - - - - -	0	2	5
Mathew Oates cutting the 3 Stone Stoops for the Gates - - - - - - - -	0	12	0
the same time to Richard Dodworth - -	0	3	6
Rubbish Carrying away - - - - - -	0	1	0
John Crookes for 2 Stoopes at Church Yates, 2 yards apeece, 4d. per yarde, one Raile 9d., 6 yards and 2 foote of Raile 3d., workmanshipp 1s. 10d. - - - - - - - - -	0	5	7
John Warrington a Assessement for the poore -	0	1	6
to John Crooke for 20 yards of nating[1] and for 3 deeles 13 foot apeece - - - - -	0	16	2
John Adamson, 9 yards of green Bayes, 16 yards and 22 yards of Cadiss, 1 yarde of thredd 2d. - - - - - - - - -	0	14	0
to the Taylor for makeing the Carpitt - -	0	0	9
George Younge and his man for workemanshipp and nailes in natting the hall - -	0	3	5
to Thomas Heaton for Chaines to the Hall Candlestick - - - - - - - -	0	8	0
[P. 282.] for a Corde for the Candlestick -	0	1	0
William Turner for removeing rubbish att back of the Hall - - - - - - - -	0	4	2
to the waites a quarters waiges - - - -	0	15	0
from Mr. Renny, 42 Tyle laths, 10s., and 3 deels 4s. 2d., towards making the Pallesades for the Hall windows - - - - - -	0	14	2
from Thomas Cooper, 1000 of 3d. spriggs and 2lb. of 3½d. nailes - - - - - - -	0	2	4
to John Crooke, makeing the 6 Palisades for the Hall window - - - - - - -	1	0	0
Richard Dodworth, 24 Iron Squares for Palisades	0	4	0
Mathew Oates for primeing them - - - -	0	5	0
To George Hibbard Overseers of the poore -	6	0	0

[1] Nating; matting.

	li.	s.	d.
Joseph Warrington an Assessement for the poore	0	1	6
Thomas Ryalls a quarters waiges	0	3	4
Samuell Silcock for clenseing Ladys bridge	0	1	0
to Thomas Webster a Quarters waiges	1	0	0
John Ellis the 4 quarters tax to the King	0	3	6
to Anthony Hallett for a Gavlack to the Barker Poole Gates	0	2	6
to Mr. Blackstock for a Range for the Hall	1	1	6
Thomas Warrington an Assessement for the poore	0	1	6
Thomas Ryalls a quarters waiges	0	3	4
a quarters waiges to the waites	0	15	0
A load of coales to the Hall 4d. Range setting 2d.	0	0	6
The Jurys Dinner at Court Leete	0	10	0
Thomas Bradbury for the Constable and Churchwarden	0	1	11
Thomas Webster a quarters wages	1	0	0
to Mr. Drake (vicar)	10	0	0
to Mr. Jolley[1] his years sallary	5	0	0
To Samuell Carr for worke done the last and this year for the Towne	0	3	2
Mathew Oates for worke at Church yates and 4 li. of Leade	0	1	6
to Richard Dodworth 4 Clasps of Iron	0	1	6
to Mr. Renny at severall times ut per particulers	59	14	6
To Henry Hoyle for 4 stone pillars att the Church yates bringing to the Church yates and makeing ready to sett up 12s. each	2	8	0
[P. 283.] Expences in Collecting Rents this year	0	1	1
to Thomas Heaton for 4stone 4lb of Leade att 18d. per stone used about Pillars at Church yates	0	6	5
to Mrs. Pegg for wine had to Mr. Banks att the Sessions night	1	1	0
paid Thomas Savidge and his men and John Broadhead for removeing and fixing of the stoopes att Church yates	1	1	4
William Gray and John Bright workemen in makeing new gates	0	13	6
paid for Bredd and Cheese and drink for the workmen about fixing the stoopes	0	9	0
for a quire of paper	0	0	8
to Adam Parker one day setting up stoopes and railes at Church yates	0	1	2

[1] Mr. Timothy Jollie was minister of the Upper Chapel.

	li.	s.	d.
To Thomas Allen for getting away rubbish about the Hall	0	4	6
for the Dinner for the Trustees	1	10	0
Overcharged in George Jackson Rent last yeare	0	5	6
Paid our Clark for makeing towns Rentall and Cheife Rentall	0	4	0
Entring these Accounts	0	5	0
paid Richard Dodworth ut per bill for iron worke about the Gates and Stone Pillars	2	1	0
Disbursements	273	15	5
Arrears	73	16	8
Money lett oute	134	9	0
[Total]	482	1	1
charge of the account	493	18	8
discharge	482	1	1
remaines in the accountant's hands	11	17	7

which was paid to Mr. Thomas Parkin[1] the succeeding collector soe the account stands cleare.

[P. 284.] Arrears

Thomas Brownell 4s. 10d. John Fowler 13s. 4d. Christofer Stewardson 10s. Benjamin Turner 10s. James Stevin 7s. John Webster 1 li. 19s. Thomas Wilson 5 li. 2s. 6d. John Wigfall 5 li. 12s. 6d. Robert Hides 4 li. 10s. 6d. John Hancock 10 li. 18s. 8d. William Sugden 2 li. 17s. 6d. James Tuckman 1 li. 5s. 6d. Widdow Hall 6d. William Heathcote 8d. Anthony Hall 2d. George Shore 2 li. 10s. James Tuke 3s. 8d. Jone Stevenson 2s. 6d. George Jackson 8s. John Greaves 14s. James Weatecroft 1s. 6d. Roger Warde 8 li. 7s. 6d. Thomas Shertcliffe 25 li. 10s. 6d. Thomas Hobson 16s. Thomas Marshall 10s. More 4d. Arrears unreceived - £73 16 8

[P. 285.] The Burgesses of the Towne of Sheffield.—The Account of Thomas Parkin Collector there taken the 20th day of May in the year 1702 for the Rents and Revenues belongeing to the said Burgerry for one whole year ended at Martinmas last.

The Charge.

	li.	s.	d.
Received of Richard Downes the Ballance of his Account	11	17	7
One years Rent by the Rentall	48	4	6
by Arrears in the Rentall	43	5	8

[1] The name of Mr. Parkin is written over an erasure of the name of Mr. Field Sylvester.

	li.	s.	d.
money in Mr. Soresbys hands - - - -	100	0	0
Interest for 4 years the 5th of June 1702 - -	20	0	0
more money in his hands - - - -	21	6	0
Interest for 4 yeares - - - - -	4	4	0
Received for a tree taken out of the River -	0	0	6
Received of Francis Hinchliff and Mark Furnis 16 li. being in parte of the 100 li. the Duke of Norfolk promissed towards the building the Townes hall - - - - - - - -	16	0	0
Received of Thomas Heaton for Brass links belonging to the Townes hall Candlestick -	0	2	6
Received of Mr. Jonathan Lee towardes the Church Burgesses debt - - - - -	30	0	0
for old Stepps at the Bridge - - - -	0	0	6
Received of Hallam tenants - - - -	22	11	0
Received of Michaell Stevin - - - -	0	7	0
Summe of the Charge -	317	19	3
The Discharge.			
Paid at the last feast for two bottles of wine -	0	3	0
to the waites 3s., to the Bellman, Beadle, and Saxton 3s. - - - - - - - - -	0	6	0
Paid Thomas Savidge as by his bill - - -	0	18	8
Paid Thomas Allen for his Laber about the Church Yates, Grease, Nails, &c. - - -	0	1	1
Paid Thomas Savidge, William Gray and John Bright each 1s. 4d., drinkings, 10d. - -	0	4	10
[Total] - -	1	13	7
[P. 286.] Paid for a Lock for Ladys Bridge chaine - - - - - - - - -	0	0	7
For taking a tree out of the river - - -	0	0	4
Paid for stone and sand for mending the Ladys Bridge - - - - - - - - -	0	1	10
Paid Thomas Webster his years Sallary - -	4	0	0
Paid the Church Rent for the workhous - -	0	10	0
Paid the musishoners [1] their years waiges -	3	0	0
Paid the Scavinger three quarters waiges -	0	10	0
Paid Richard Dodworth as by his bill for worke about the Church Yates - - - - -	0	5	0
Paid Mrs. Pegg for wine ut per bill - - -	3	18	0
for a pound of lead about the Gates - -	0	0	1½
to John Tayler and Partners for paveing before the Hall ut per bill - - - - - -	2	15	4
to Elcanah Roberts for painting the Church Gates as by Bill - - - - - - -	0	13	0

[1] In the earlier entries called the "waits."

	li.	s.	d.
paid the Land Tax Assessors for the Townes Stock - - - - - - - - -	0	6	9
to Mr. Wordsworth for Ribbin for the waites -	0	7	9
to Joseph Ashmore for leading three loads of Rubbish from the Church yates - - -	0	1	3
to William Carr for 4 loads of Boulders to the Gates - - - - - - - - -	0	4	0
to Thomas Allen for takeing Rubbish from about the Hall i day - - - - - -	0	0	10
for Six pound of lead more for Cramping the Iron in the stoopes, &c. - - - - -	0	0	9
Paid for Labour about takeing away Rubbish -	0	1	0
and for Drinkings - - - - - - -	0	0	11
more for Drinkings - - - - - - -	0	0	3
mending Church Gates - - - - -	0	0	2
Paid servants attending at the sessions - -	0	7	6
Paid George Hibbard for candles - - -	0	2	8
Paid William Gray for Barrs for the Gates -	0	0	4
Paid William Carr for tenn loads of boulders and takeing away 18 loads of rubbish - -	0	13	11
paid John Tayler and Partners for paveing about the Hall vt per Bill - - - - -	3	6	4½
Laberers - - - - - - - - - -	0	0	10
Paid Richard Downes which he paid Mr. Renny to make up the last payment for building the Hall - - - - - - - - - -	0	5	6
[Total] - -	21	15	0
[P. 287.] Paid William Carr for 9 Loads of Boulders to Ladys Bridge 9s. for 7 loads of sleck,[1] 3s, for 12 loads of Rubbish leading from Townes Hall 3s. - - - - - -	0	15	0
For Laberers - - - - - - - - -	0	1	0
to John Tayler and Partners - - - - -	1	15	8½
Paid for Rigging for a house - - - - -	0	2	6
Paid Joseph Ashmore for leading 2 Loads of Rubbish from the Hall - - - - - -	0	0	10
paid Mr. Drake the Townes Gift - - - -	10	0	0
paid Mrs. Pegg for wine - - - - - -	1	16	0
paid Jo Wildsmith for Candlesticks - - - -	1	0	0
paid to the poore Mr. Moselys money - -	6	0	0
to Christopher Stewardson for coales - -	0	0	11
paid Thomas Heaten for a neiw Chaine to the Candlestick - - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
paid Mr. Banks the 50 li. and interest - -	51	1	6
paid Joseph Tayler the Mason ut per Bill -	0	8	6¾

[1] Sleck: Small coal or ashes.

	li.	s.	d.
paid Richard Dodworth for worke - - -	0	2	4
John Turner for worke - - - - -	0	1	2
for pikeing a lock att the Hall - - -	0	0	2
for tonges and shovell for the Hall - - -	0	2	0
paid Jo. Poynton as by his Bill - - -	0	6	6
to Matthew Oates - - - - - - -	0	1	10
to John Bright - - - - - - -	0	1	0
Robert Walklett for Glaseing - - - -	0	1	6
paid for secureing Phillipps - - - -	1	0	0
paid for ribbings att the Proclamacion day for the Waites - - - - - - -	0	6	3
to the Ringers att the proclameing Queen Anne[1] - - - - - - -	0	10	0
to Hurst and Dakin for attending and delivering out the ale - - - - - -	0	2	8
for 127 Gallons of Ale at the Proclamacion -	6	7	0
to the Drummers then - - - - -	0	12	0
to the Townes Jury for their Dinners - -	0	10	0
paid the Scavinger - - - - - - -	0	1	0
to the Waites at the Proclamacion - - -	0	7	6
For takeing Rubbish from Towns Hall and other places - - - - - - - -	0	2	11
to John Crookes for putting the sashes up at the Hall - - - - - - - - -	0	0	6
for 3 pound of Candles - - - - -	0	1	2
paid Mrs Ellison a years Interest - - -	5	10	0
[Total] - - -	89	4	6¼
[P. 288.] Paid for mending the towne head well, Flint well, Ladys Bridge stepps ut per Bill - - - - - - - - -	5	2	7¼
to the Trumpitter at the Proclamation - -	0	2	6
for the Trustees' dinner - - - - -	1	10	0
to the Clarke his year's sallary - - -	5	0	0
makeing towne's Rentall and cheefe Rentall -	0	4	0
Entring these Accounts - - - - -	0	5	0
Parchment and ingrosseing the townes adresse to Queene Anne - - - - - - -	0	5	0
paid Assessments this year for Hallam lands -	1	12	6½
for 4 stones in the Church Gates - - -	0	0	6
[Total] - - -	14	2	1¾

Money out upon Security

Mr Robert Soresby 100 li. Interest for 4 years the 5th June 1702 20 li. More money in his hands 21 li. 6s. Interest

[1] Queen Anne succeeded to the throne 8th March, 1702.

	li.	s.	d.
for 4 years 4 li. 4s. [Total] - - -	145	10	0
Summe totall of the Charge of this Account -	317	19	3

which is thus Discharged

By Disbursements - - - - - -	126	15	3
By money lett out - - - - - -	145	10	0
By Arrears - - - - - - -	42	4	6
By money to ballance - - - - -	3	9	6
[Total] - - -	317	19	3

which said sum of 3 li. 9s. 6d. was paid at the hall to Mr. Thomas Diston, who is appointed collector for the year ensueing, and soe the accountant is discharged.

[P. 289.] Arrears.—Michaell Steven 1 li. John Wigfall 5s. 6d. Mathew Owen 1s. 6d. George Shore 2 li. 10s. James Tuke 2d. Joane Stevenson 2d. James Wheatcroft 1s. 6d. Roger Warde 7 li. 16s. 6d. Thomas Shertcliffe 26 li. 15s. 6d. Thomas Marshall 11s. 2d. Thomas Pegg 1 li. 16s. John Clayton 4s. John Spencer 1 li. 2s. 6d.

[Total arrears] - - -	42	4	6

Arrears agreed to be left out of the Rentall.—Roger Warde 7 li. 16s. 7d. (sic). Thomas Shertcliffe 26 li. 15s. 6d. Thomas Marshall 5s. 2d. John Clayton 4s.

[Total] - - -	35	1	3

1st of February, 1702.

Whereas Mr. Thomas Diston, the Cappitall Burgess,[1] is lately dead, and this day it is agreede that Mr. Joshua Bayes shall serve out the remainder of his yeare; delivered him at the same time a key, with the Purse, the Bonds, and accounts.

[P. 290.] The Burgesses of the Towne of Sheffeild.—The Account of Mr. Thomas Diston deceased, Collectour of the Rents belonging to the said Towne. And alsoe of Mr. Joshua Bayes who upon the Decease of the said Mr. Diston was elected Collector of the said Rents for the Remaineing parte of the yeare, which put together make up the Accounts for the yeare 1702 made this twelfth day of May 1703.

	li.	s.	d.
Imprimis. They are charged with the Ballance of the last Account - - - - -	3	9	6
with a years Rent as by the Rentall - - -	49	1	4
by Arrears in the Rentall - - - -	7	3	4

[1] The term Capital Burgess as applied to the Town Collector is curious. "Capital Burgess" is generally used in connection with the head of the corporation popularly known as the Church Burgesses.

	li.	s.	d.
by Money in Mr Soresbyes hands - - -	100	0	0
Interest for 5 years the 5th of June 1703 - -	25	0	0
more money in his hands - - - -	21	6	0
Interest for 5 years - - - - - -	5	5	0
of Mr Steade overpluss land tax money - -	1	10	3
Received of James Gregory the Fine on his new Lease - - - - - - - - - -	2	3	0
of Hugh Stevenson towards his arrears - -	0	10	0
Received one whole years Rent of Hallam lands as by the Rentall - - - - -	24	11	0
[Total] - - -	239	19	5
The Discharge.			
two Bottles of wine at the last Feast - -	0	3	0
Musitioners - - - - - - - -	0	3	0
a years cheife Rent - - - - - -	0	4	6
Kings Assessements - - - - - -	0	7	0
a Lock and three Keys for the Church Gates -	0	3	0
Beadle and Saxton - - - - - - -	0	3	0
An Assessement to the poore - - - - -	0	1	8
To Thomas Webster a Quarters waiges - -	1	0	0
Musitioners a Quarters waiges - - - -	0	15	0
to Henry Broomhead an Assessement - -	0	1	6
to Thomas King a Quarters waiges - -	0	3	4
to the Constables an Assessement - - -	0	1	8
to Mrs Hobson for Thomas Websters Coate -	1	0	8
to Thomas Hancock for makeing it - - -	0	4	0
for 7 yardes and ½ of Ribbing for him - -	0	8	0
Ringers at Prince Evgens victory [1] - -	0	3	2
Charges in Clenseing and Repaireing the Barker Poole - - - - - - - - - -	4	10	1½
to the Church wardens - - - - - -	0	0	10
to the Musitioners a Quarters waiges - -	0	15	0
Shuttle and lock mending at Barker poole -	0	2	1
the Second payment to the Queene - - -	0	7	0
[Total] - - -	10	17	7
[P. 291.] Brought forwardes - - - -	10	17	7
To Thomas Webster a Quarters waiges - -	1	0	0
paid for Shuttle Pole 2s. Allen and Tompsons waiges 4s. - - - - - - - - -	0	6	0
Candles - - - - - - - - - -	0	5	1
William Gray for work 1s. - - - - -	0	1	0
To Thomas King a Quarters waiges - -	0	3	4

[1] Prince Eugene of Savoy, afterwards famous at Blenheim, was distinguishing himself in campaigns in Italy 1701-2.

	li.	s.	d.
John Parker for two Loade of stone and leading the same	0	14	0
to John Purselove for worgeing[1] 100 foote of stone	0	8	4
Ringers at the Thanksgiving day	0	5	0
Rent to the Church Burgesses for the worke-house	0	10	0
to Thomas Oates for worke about the Hall chimnyes	1	10	0
the 3d quarterly payment to the Queene	0	7	0
to the Overseers of the Poore Mr Moseleys money	6	0	0
paid for two Loads of Coales	0	0	11
paid Thomas King a quarters waiges	0	3	4
to Thomas Webster a quarters waiges	1	0	0
paid Thomas Oates for topping the Hall chimnyes	2	16	11
to John Hewarde for Iron Cramps	0	12	4
to William Bentley for Glassing	0	5	9
to Mr Drake the Burgesses Free Gift	10	0	0
paid the Clarke accordinge to Custome his years Sallary	5	0	0
for makeing townes Rentall and chiefe	0	4	0
Entering these Accounts	0	5	0
paid him for a writ against widdow Shertcliffe	0	11	8
paid Joshua Dale a quarters Land tax for Hallam lands	0	7	0
to Peeter Worrell Cheife Rente for Hallam lands	0	4	6
for Drawing up the Easter verdict[2]	0	2	6
paid for the Juryes dinner then	0	10	0
paid the Musitioners halfe a years waiges	1	10	0
to William Gray as by Bill	1	17	4
to Thomas King a quarters waiges	0	3	4
to Thomas Webster his last Quarteridge[3]	1	0	0
paid Charles Viccers for bringing the Act of Parliament from Mr Gills	0	0	4
Money in Mr Soresbyes hands	100	0	0
Interest for 5 years the 5th of June 1703	25	0	0
more money in his hands	21	6	0
Interest for 5 years	5	5	0
Arrears in the Rentall[4]	0	0	0
For the Dinner for the Trustees	1	10	0

[1] Worgeing, worcheing, *i.e.*, working.

[2] The Sembly Quest verdict.

[3] Quarterage, Low Latin *quarteragium*, a quarter's wages paid to a servant.—See *York Wills* (Surtees Soc.), iii., p. 19.

[4] Written over "15. li 17s. 10d."

	li.	s.	d.
paid John Bright for a Raile putting in at Ladys bridge	0	1	0
for takeing the sashes downe	0	0	4
a stone of Lead for cramps for the Hall	0	1	9
for a Baskett and Broome	0	0	3
paid an Assessement to the Poore for Hallam	0	2	6
more for the Dinner	0	10	0
[Total]	202	19	5
the charge of this account	239	19	5
Discharge on the other side	202	19	5
Arrears	15	17	10
Money to Ballance	21	2	2
[Total]	239	19	5

Arrears.

Joshua Mathewman 13s. 4d. Widdow Webster 1 li. John Wigfall 11s. Robert Neiwbold 1s. 8d. George Shore 2 li. 10s. James Tuke 4d. Jone Stevenson 4d. James Barnes 10s. Samuell Carr 1 li. 10s. Mathew Owen 1s. 6d. James Weatecroft 3s. Widdow Shertcliff 5s. Thomas Marshall 11s. 2d. Thomas Pegg 1 li. 18s. Jo Spencer 1 li. 2s. 6d. Mr. Bayes 5 li. [Total arrears] - - 15 17 10

[P. 292.] 12th of July, 1703.—Burgesses then elected. Mr. Robert Soresbie, John Adamson, Saml. Scargell in the roome of Mr. Simpson, Mr. Diston, and John Webster, decd.

29th October, 1703.—Mr. Elias Wordsworth elected a townes Burgess[1] in the Roome of Mr. Joshua Bayes, lately Deceased.

3rd of November, 1703.—Memorandum, that a true copy of the Townes Burgesses Grant to Thomas Duke of Norfolk (for him his heyrs & successors keepeing of the Courts belongeing to the Mannor of Sheffield in the Townes Hall) is with Henry, Duke of Norfolkes note to the Burgesses for 100 li. put in the little wood box in the townes chest.

3rd Nov., 1703.—Memorandum, George Dowler, Thomas Stubbins, and William Wilburne, are allowed by the Townes Burgesses to be the musitioners of this towne soe longe as they doe theire office as they ought to do, and we the said George Dowler, Thomas Stubbing and William Wilburne doe acknowledge that the cloakes musicall instruments and

[1] Elias Wordsworth, mercer, died 20th July, 1723, aged 59. He was one of those who seceded from Upper Chapel in 1714. The family was of long standing at Waterhall, Penistone, in the rank of yeomen or minor gentry. Mr. Hunter believed the poet to be of this family. See various references to the family in the Local Notes and Queries columns of the *Sheffield Independent*, January to April, 1875.

silver Badges doe belonge to the townes Burgesses and that if it happen that wee or any of us doe leave the business we hereby promise to deliver to the towne collector the cloakes instruments and Badges and if wee or any of us dye in the said employment wee hereby promise that our executors or administrators shall peaceably deliver to the towne collector the said cloakes instruments and Badges.

Mr. Joseph Banks elected a townes Burgess in the room of Thomas Chappell, Esq., lately deceased.[1]

[P. 293.] The Burgesses of the towne of Sheffeild.—The Account of Joseph Downes Collector there taken the 31st day of May in the yeare 1704 for the Rents and Revenues belongeing to the said Burgesses for one whole yeare ended at Martinmas last.

The Charge

Imprimis he chargeth himselfe with money Received on the Ballance of the last Account	21	2	2
Received of Mr. Banks by the order of My Lady Howard[2] towards the 100 li. the late Duke of Norfolk promissed towards building of the townes hall the sume of - - -	64	0	0
Received of Mr. John Lee Church Collector 30 li. being what the Church Burgesses owed to the Townes Burgesses - - - -	30	0	0
Received of John Tompson which he owed on a note - - - - - - - -	1	0	0
Item he chargeth himselfe with Arrears on the townes Rentall - - - - - - -	15	6	10
with Arrears of Hallam Rentall - - -	26	2	0
Item he chargeth himselfe with a years rent on the Townes Rentall - - - - - -	52	0	8

[1] Joseph Banks, attorney, was son of a gentleman who had been an officer under Sir John Reresby, in the garrison at Bridlington. Served articles with Mr. Thos. Chappell, attorney, whom he succeeded on the Town Trust. Married Mary, dau. of Rowland Hancock, of Shirecliffe Hall, 5th Aug., 1689, and had with her a fortune of £400. Acted as agent for the Dukes of Norfolk, Leeds, and Newcastle. Left Sheffield when scarcely passed middle life, and settled at Scofton, near Worksop. Sat in Parliament for Grimsby and Totness. Died 27th Sept., 1727, aged 62. While living at Shirecliffe he cut the gap, which is still called Coach Gate, between the Old Park and Cook Woods, to let his carriage pass by an easier road to Sheffield, than down the Bridgehouse Hill. He was great grandfather of Sir Joseph Banks, K.C.B., president of the Royal Society, who died 19th June, 1820.

[2] Lady Elizabeth Mary, widow of Thomas Howard, Esq., of Worksop, and mother of Thomas, eighth Duke of Norfolk, a minor, who succeeded his uncle Henry, seventh Duke of Norfolk, April, 1701.

	li.	s.	d.
Item he chargeth himselfe with a years rent Received on the Hallam Rentall - - -	24	11	0
Also with money in Mr. Soresbyes handes -	100	0	0
Interest for 6 years the 5 of June 1704 - -	30	0	0
more money in his handes - - - -	21	6	0
[Total] - - -	385	8	8

Discharge.

Imprimis paid Mrs. Ellison May 14 1703 a yeare and a halfes Interest - - - - - -	8	5	0
paid Mrs Ellison 26 November 1703 the sume of 100 li. principall and also 4 li. 16s. for interest	104	16	0
paid at the feast for 2 Bottles of Wine - -	0	3	0
to the Musicioners - - - - - - -	0	3	0
to the Bellman Beadell and Saxton - -	0	3	0
To Mrs Pegg for wine for Justice Ramsden -	0	3	0
For 7 gallons of clarrett 3 Gall of white wine and 6 Quartes of Sherry to treate the Lady Howard[1] - - - - - - - - -	3	15	0
paid 3 assessements for the Poore for Hallam lands - - - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
paid the Constable of Hallam an Assessement	0	1	8
paid the Churchwarden - - - - - -	0	0	5
Paid at the Coffee house with the Doncaster man about the river Dunn - - - - -	0	4	6
paid to Jo. Smith for 4 quarterly Assessements for Hallam lands to the Queene at 7s. a quarter	1	8	0
paid Cheife Rent for Hallam lands - - -	0	4	6
[Total] - - -	119	12	1
[P. 294.] Brought over - - - - - -	119	12	1
paid for the Juryes Dinner at Easter - -	0	10	0
and for the verdict - - - - - - -	0	2	6
paid John Turner for Locks, Keys, &c - -	0	2	4
to John Hall and Richard Dodworth for making the place the Chest is in and the Peggs the Bucketts hang on - - - - - -	0	9	0
paid Mrs. Pegg when my Lord Hartington was there - - - - - - - - - -	1	13	4
paid at Mrs. Pegg's when James Lees stoopes was ordered to be removed - - - - -	0	7	6
paid Mr. Drake the Burgesses gratuity - -	10	0	0
paid him more towards buying the small tythes[2]	10	0	0

[1] The words "Lady Howard" are written over an erasure of the words "Lord Hartington," whose name occurs a few lines further down. He was William Cavendish, afterwards second Duke of Devonshire, who married Rachel, daughter of Lord William Russell, and died 3rd June, 1729.

[2] See note on the tithes, p. 269.

	l.	s.	d.
Paid the musissioners a years waiges all but 5s.	2	15	0
The Beadle his waiges - - - - - -	4	0	0
to Thomas King the Scavinger his years waiges	0	13	4
to Richard Dodworth for springs, boults and staples for the Church Yates - - -	0	3	3
to John Taylor for 40 yards paveing at the bridge and mending six large holes there and opening the Sow[1] at the Poole - - -	0	7	6
Expences - - - - - - - -	0	0	6
paid Jo. Poynton for glazeing the Almeshouse -	1	17	2
paid Thomas Cooper for 4 pound of Nailes -	0	1	4
paid Jo. Kirke for 8 paire of bandes and hookes and hespes for the Almeshouse window Shutts and for a large new Bande and mending of a Lock - - - - - - - - -	0	5	10
Paid Anthony Firth for 4 paire of Gimmers[2] at 5d. per paire - - - - - - -	0	1	8
Paid for the Engin mending to William Frost and John Hall and for 6 pound of pitch -	0	11	8
paid Richard Harrap for poynting the Almeshouse windows - - - - - - -	0	2	5
paid to Mr. Wordsworth for 5 yardes and ½ of Ribbin at 1s. 2d. per yard and ½ a yarde of small Ribbin - - - - - - -	0	6	6
paid sweeping the Hall and washing - -	0	0	6
for searching at the Court of Yorke - - -	0	13	6
Expences at Mrs. Peggs with Mr. Jessop - -	0	0	9
to William Carr for leading 9 load of Rubbish from the Hall 3s., and a load of boulders to the bridge 1s. - - - - - - -	0	4	0
for six pound of candles at the Hall at the Queenes Birth day and six pound more the 5th of November - - - - - - -	0	4	0
[Total] - - -	155	11	0
[P. 295.] Brought over - - - - -	155	11	0
paid Mr. Lee a years rent for the workehouse -	0	10	0
paid Mr. Wordsworth for Ribbin for the new mewsisioner - - - - - - - -	0	2	1
paid Anthony Firth for the use of the Poore at Christmas - - - - - - - -	6	0	0
paid William Bentley for mending the Hall windows - - - - - - - -	0	1	6
paid Joseph Tayler for mossing, poynting and Rigging the Almeshouse and Sawdering the Hookes - - - - - - - -	1	0	0

[1] Sow: sough or drain. [2] Gimmers: hinges, see p. 54.

	li.	s.	d.
paid John Crookes for 40 yards of Boards at 4½d. per yard and workemans waiges for the Almeshouse windows and mending the House of Office	1	0	0
paid William Carr for leading away 7 Load of Rubbish from the townes hall and hacking it up	0	2	6
paid William Hayes and Thomas Webster for goeing about the towne about Inmates[1]	0	0	6
paid Mr. Sylvester for 3 doz of Bucketts	6	1	8
paid him for opening the Sow at the Hall wells	0	15	8
Carriage of the farthings from the Collectors of the Poores house to my house	0	0	3
Paid Mr. Banks for business done about the Hall, and other business about getting the 100 li. towards building the Hall from the Duke	4	0	0
gave Mr Stevenson by consent for charges his father laid out	1	10	0
paid the Clarke for makeing townes Rentall and chiefe	0	4	0
he paid Mr. Roebuck for 2 Indictments against Fox and Shemeld	0	3	0
paid the Bayliff at Grand jury house	0	0	4
his expenses at the Sessions being out 2 dayes and 1 night himselfe and horse horse hire 2s., his trouble goeing to the Sessions 6s. 8d.	0	8	8
Entering the Accounts	0	5	0
Clerkes Sallary	5	0	0
Paid John Bright for taking downe the frames before the Hall windows	0	0	8
for the Collectors dinner	1	10	0
paid Joshua North	0	12	0
[Total]	185	4	8

Arrears of Sheffield Rentall.

Widdow Webster 1 li. Anthony Hall 2d. James Tuke 6d. James Barnes 10s. Widdow Shertcliff 5s. Thomas Marshall

[1] This was an effort to prevent strangers who might become paupers from dwelling in the town. By a Statute passed in 31 Elizabeth persons harbouring inmates were to be presented to the Court Leet and fined. The Bradfield Court Leet of 1609 made the following regulation :—" Item, a payne laid that Thomas Waterhouse shall remove and put away Robert Lyngard and his wyves mother from his house before the xiiijth daie of Maie next cominge and that noe other person within the said parish of Braddfield shall receive and take the said Robert nor his wyves mother to be their tenant nor any other person contrary to the statute in paine of every offence xx s."—*Vide* Court Leet Records, Duke of Norfolk's Estate Office. Numerous other examples might be cited from Manchester and other Courts Leet.

5s. 2d. Ro Newbould 1s. 8d. George Shore 2 li. 10s. Joane Stevenson 6d. Samuell Carr 3 li. Thomas Hobson 8s. Thomas Pegg 2li.

	li.	s.	d.
[Total] - -	li. 10	1	0
Hallam Arrears—Hugh Hides - - -	11	10	0
The Charge of this Account - - - -	385	8	8

Discharge.

	li.	s.	d.
By Disbursements - - -	185	4	8
By money in Mr. Soresby hands	151	6	0
By Sheffield Arrears - -	10	1	0
By Hallam Arrears - -	11	10	0
By money in the Accountants hands to Ballance - - - -	27	7	0
[Total] - - -	385	8	8

[P. 296.] 15th July, 1704.—Memorandum. It is now agreed by us, whose names are subscribed, that the Townes hall shall be put to no other uses for the future Then the Townes Burgesses meeteings, and other meeteings of the Townes officers, and keepeing of the Courts of the Lord of the mannor. [Signed] Joseph Downes, Thomas Parkin, Feild Sylvester, Christopher Broomhead, Elias Wordsworth, Richard Downes, Robert Sorsbie, Henry Smith, John Adamson.

The Burgesses of the towne of Sheffield.—The Account of Joseph Banks, Gentleman, Collector there taken the 30th day of May in the yeare 1705 for the Rents and Revenues belonging to the said Burgesses for one whole yeare ended at Martinmas last.

The Charge.

	li.	s.	d.
Imprimis he chargeth himselfe with money Received of the last Collector - - -	27	7	0
and with 5s. received of Thomas Staneforth for 15 years Arrears - - - - - -	0	5	0
And with Arrears on the townes Rentall - -	10	1	0
with Arrears of Hallam Rentall - - -	11	10	0
Item he chargeth himselfe with a years Rent on Sheffield Rentall - - - - - -	50	1	10
and with a years Rent on Hallam Rentall -	24	11	0
Alsoe with money in Mr. Soresbys hand - -	100	0	0
Interest for 7 years the 5th of June - - -	35	0	0
And with more money in Mr. Soresby's hands-	21	6	0
of Mr. Ravenhill charges of mending the Hall stepps - - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
Received of a man that had the shop under the Hall 2 days - - - - - - - -	0	2	10

	li.	s.	d.
of Nathaniel Mears 15s. for halfe a years rent for a shop under the Hall he entered at Lady day and then paid his rent[1] - - - -	0	15	0
Samuell Carrs Debt - - - - -	1	1	6
Summe totall of the Charge - -	282	3	8

[P. 297.] Discharge.

Imprimis Paid for 2 Bottles of wine at the last feast - - - - - - - - -	0	3	4
paid the Scavinger his years waiges - - -	0	13	4
expended on Justice Vincent about sending Webster to Yorke Gaol - - - -	0	4	6
To Mr. Drake his years gratuity - - -	10	0	0
Paid for the Collectors Dinner - - -	1	10	0
paid the musicioners a quarters waiges - -	0	15	0
paid the Musicioners at the last feast - -	0	3	0
and gave the Bellman, Beadle, Saxton - -	0	3	0
expended about Fox and Shemelds tryall about the incroachment at the Hall - - -	0	1	0
gave lawyer Witton 1 li. & Mr Waterhouse 5s.	1	5	0
Charges at Rotherham Sessions 3 of vs of Wednesday - - - - - - - - -	0	2	9
20th of July Expences six of vs of Thursday Dinners 6s other expences of Horses & Ale 3s. 10d. - - - - - - - -	0	9	10
gave Matthew Oates 2s. for his waiges and to John Crookes 1s. 6d. - - - - -	0	3	6
Drawing Briffs for Lawyer Witton & Mr. Waterhouse[2] - - - - - - -	0	2	6
a horse for Crookes 2 dayes 1s. 8d. paid for a letter 2d. - - - - - - - -	0	1	10
for Mr. Jolleys attendance 2 dayes at the Sessions	0	10	0
horse hier - - - - - - - - -	0	2	0
paid the Ringers when the news came that the Duke of Marlburrow had quite defeated the Frence & Baverian Armies in Germany & taken Count Tallard the Frence Generall prisoner[3] - - - - - - - -	0	5	0
Candles that were set up in the Hall that night	0	3	6
for getting clay to set the candles in 6d., and mending the candle stick 6d. - - -	0	1	0
Sept. 7th Expended on the thanksgiving day for getting clay 3d., looking to the candles 2d. -	0	0	5

[1] A shop under the Town Hall. See note, p. 220.

[2] Mr. Henry Waterhouse was an attorney, who died 21st June, 1719, aged 60. See Gatty's ed., Hunter's Hallamshire, p. 251.

[3] This entry commemorates the battle of Blenheim, fought Aug. 13th, 1704.

	li.	s.	d.
for a dozen of candles lighted in the Hall that night - - - - - - - - - -	0	3	8
paid Joseph Greaves a poores Assessement for Hallam lands - - - - - - -	0	1	8
paid Thomas Shelden 2 quarters land tax for Hides and Stevensons farmes - - -	0	4	7
and for ½ a years land tax for Hawksworth and Worth farmes - - - - - - -	0	8	8
Tobaccow Pipes had to the Hall the night the Lady Howard was there - - - - -	0	0	2
paid Thomas Webster his years waiges - -	4	0	0
paid Mr. Fell the Church Collector a years rent for the workehouse - - - - - -	0	10	0
paid the Waites 3 quarters waiges - - -	2	5	0
Coales for the Hall - - - - - - -	0	0	11
paid Joseph Fox Chiefe Rent for Hallam Lands	0	4	6
paid Thomas Shelden a quarters land tax for hides and Stevensons farmes - - -	0	2	3½
December 24th paid to the poore - - -	6	0	0
paid the Churchwardens ½ of an Assessment -	0	0	10
[Total] - - -	31	2	9½
[P. 298.] Brought over - - - - -	31	2	9½
paid Joseph Greene a Poores Assessement for Hallam lands - - - - - - - -	0	1	8
Expended of the Clerke and John Crooke at Doncaster on Thomas Heatons business relating to the Constables Accounts - -	0	4	0
Five of the Burgesses Charges there - -	0	10	0
paid for the Juryes dinner at Easter 10s. and drawing up the verdict, 2s. 6d. - - -	0	12	6
paid for mending the Hall floore a prisoner breakeing it - - - - - - - - -	0	0	8
paid Thomas Hancock for makeing Thomas Websters coate - - - - - - - -	0	4	0
paid ½ Assessement to the Poore of Hallam -	0	0	10
paid Thomas Sheldens wife the Rest of the Queenes tax on Hallam Lands - - -	1	0	3
paid Hugh Hides the Constables Assessement -	0	1	8
paid William Frost a yeares waiges for keeping the Engin in order. Mem. Stop next year -	0	10	0
paid to Mrs. Pegg for wine had to the Hall to treat my Lady Howard with - - -	2	0	0
paid the Clarke his years waiges, 5 li. for makeing townes Rentall and Cheife 4s. - - -	5	4	0
Entring the Accounts - - - - - -	0	5	0
for a Pike in the Hall to gett the Bucketts downe	0	2	6

	li.	s.	d.
paid for paper to Ingross the Doncaster piticon 2d., paid the Cryer 2d. ingrossing the piticon 1s. 6d., Expended in getting hands to it 9d. -	0	2	7
20th of May paid the Ringers when my Lord Hartington was in Town - - - -	0	5	0
paid Mrs. Pegg for wine to treat him with -	1	10	0
Candles at the hall 1d., a Broome ½d. - -	0	0	1½
	£43	17	7

Arrears.

Benjamin Downes 6s. 9d. Henry Gowett 5s. John Curtnall 2s. 6d. Benjamin Turner 10s. Mrs. Sylvester 1 li. Thomas Wilson 2s. 6d. Widdow Oates 3s. Matthew Owen 1s. 6d. Anthony Hall 2d. Thomas Pegg 2 li. 2s. Waterworks 5s. William Heathcote 8d. George Shore 2 li. 10s. Charles Symon 11s. 8d. Thomas Allen 5d. Randle Hancock 3d. James Tuke 8d. Joan Stevenson 8d. Widdow Shertcliff 5s. Thomas Hobson 8s. Thomas Marshall 10s. 4d. [Total arrears] - - 9 6 1

Hallam Arrears from Hugh Hides - - -	5	10	0
[P. 299.] The Charge of this Account is - which is thus discharged.	282	3	8
By Disbursements - - - - - -	43	17	9
By money in Mr. Soresbys hands - - -	156	6	0
Due from Samuell Carr on his note - - -	1	1	6
By Arrears of Hallam - - - - -	5	10	0
By Arrears of Sheffeild - - - - -	9	6	1
By money to Ballance this Account - - -	66	2	4
Total - - -	282	3	8

The Burgery of the towne of Sheffeild.—The account of Mr. Elias Wordsworth, the collector of the rents of the Towne of Sheffield, his receipts for Pentecost 1705 & for Martinmas 1705, being onely one years receipts. But his disbursements for two years (to wit) For the years 1705 and 1706. This account made att the townes hall, in Sheffield, the 13th day of May, 1707, and agreed to by a majority of . . . freeholders of the said towne, there being then present ninety freeholders.

The Charge.

He chargeth himselfe with money Received of the last Collector being the Ballance of the last Account - - - - - - - -	66	2	4
with Arrears on the last Rentalls - - -	14	16	1
money in Samuell Carrs hands - - - -	1	1	6
with a years Rent on Sheffeild Rentall - -	49	14	2

	li.	s.	d.
with a years Rent on Hallam Rentall - -	24	11	0
with money in Mr. Soresbies hands on Bond -	157	19	4
with a years Interest Received of Mr. Soresbie the 5th of October 1706 - - - -	7	18	0
And the accomptant is charged with the sum of 3 li. 17s. 2d., which the arbitrators disallowed of in the Burgesses accounts, the same being disburst for & on the account of a prosecucion against Mr. John Fox for an incroachment -	3	17	2
Charge - - -	325	19	7

[P. 300.] Discharge.

Disbursements from the 30th of May 1705 to the 13th of May 1707.

Imprimis.—To Mrs. Pegg for two Bottles of wine - - - - - - - - -	0	3	0
to William Hartley, 1s., Musick, 1s. 6d. - -	0	2	6
to the Belman and Beadle - - - - -	0	2	0
for three Dozen of wine to treat the Duke of Norfolke - - - - - - - -	3	0	0
Ringers on the Thanksgiving day - - -	0	5	0
the Juryes Dinner 10s., the verdict 30d. - -	0	12	6
To the Ringers for Duke Marleburrou's defeate of the French army [1] - - - - - -	0	5	0
14 pound of Candles on Thanksgiving day -	0	4	1
to the Ringers on the surrender of Ostend [2] -	0	5	0
more to them when the seige was Raized before Barcelona [3] - - - - - - - -	0	2	6
gave them more on Prince Eugene's successe [4]	0	2	6
for removing a Cheste - - - - - -	0	1	0
to the Ringers when Minin (?) was taken- -	0	5	0
to Anthony Firth for the use of the Poore -	6	0	0
to the Church Burgesses Rent for the workehouse - - - - - - - - -	0	10	0
more for the year 1706 - - - - - -	0	10	0
to Mrs. Pegg for two dozen of wine to treate the Duke of Norfolke - - - - - -	1	16	0
to moneys expended at Sheffield when the arbitrators met about the Agreement - - -	3	15	0

[1] This probably refers to the victory of Ramilies, gained by Marlborough 23rd May, 1706, defeating the French under Marshal Villeroy.

[2] Ostend surrendered to the allies 16th July, 1706.

[3] Barcelona, in Spain, relieved by the English under Sir John Leake, 11th May, 1706.

[4] Prince Eugene defeated the French before Turin, 7th September 1706.

	li.	s.	d.
moneys expended at Rotherham on the arbitracion day	2	16	10
to Anthony Firth for the use of the Poore	6	0	0
the Queenes tax for towns stock	1	4	0
the Juryes Dinners	0	10	0
the Ringers on thanksgiving day	0	10	0
to the townes Clarke his Sallary for the year 1705	5	0	0
makeing townes Rentall and Cheife Rentall	0	4	0
Allowed by mistake in the Arrears of the waterworks in the last account	0	5	0
to the Steward for Copyes of 3 Surrenders of Mr. Halls Estate	0	5	0
Coates and Cloakes for the Waites, Beadle and Bellman	16	12	3½
Repaires about the townes Hall and Barkerpoole	4	16	6½
[P. 301.] to John Shertcliff about the Wells	0	1	6
Repaires about the Bridge	13	12	3½
the waites Beadle and Scavingers waiges	15	6	8
the Queenes taxes for Hallam Lands	2	16	4
Ingrosseing Mr. Drakes Agreement with the towne about his consent for the hall to pass by act of Parliament to the towne	0	2	6
the townes Clarkes Sallary for the year 1706	5	0	0
Drawing up and entering the two last yeares accounts	0	10	0
to William Bentley for worke and glass about the townes hall	0	12	10
Total	94	6	10½
Paid Mr. Drake two years Gratuity from the towne (viz. Twenty pounds) the same being voated and carryed by a majority of Freeholders	20	0	0
Total	144	6	10½

Arrears.

Benjamin Downes 6s. 9d. John Barlow 6s. John Curtnall and sonns 2s. 6d. William Tayler 1s. 8d. Thomas Staneforth 1s. Mrs. Rebecca Sylvester 1 li. George Shore 2 li. 10s. Randle Hancock 6d. James Tuke 10d. Jone Stevenson 10d. Samuell Carr 1 li. 10s. Widdow Shertcliff 10s. Mary Mathewman 5s. Thomas Hobson 8s. Thomas Marshall 10s. 4d. Thomas Pegg 2 li. 4s. Waterworks 1 li.

[Total arrears]	10	17	5

	li.	s.	d.
Hallam Arrears from Hugh Hides - - -	5	10	0
The Charge of this Account is - - - -	325	19	7
which is thus Discharged.			
By Disbursements - - - - - -	114	6	10½
By Sheffeild Arrears- - - - - -	10	17	5
By Hallam Arrears - - - - - -	5	10	0
Money in Mr. Soresbies hands - - - -	157	19	4
Money in Samuel Carrs hands vt per note -	1	1	6
Money in the Accountants hands - - -	36	4	5½
Total - - -	325	19	7

Memorandum that Nathaniell Meares be put into the next Rentall and the arrears of Rent which he owes be alsoe put into the Rentall, he haveing paid noe Rent to the Accountant. The 10s. 4d. arreare of Thomas Marshall is to be left out of the next Rentall, he being by agreement to have the same for takeing care of the chaine at the Bridge for 7 or 8 years last past.

[P. 302.] 19th of May, 1707.—I, John Fox, Gentleman, Collector of the Rents of the Towne of Sheffield for this yeare 1707, have now received of Mr. Elias Wordsworth, the late Collector, the summe of thirty-six pounds four shillings and five pence halfe penny, mencioned on the other side to be in his hands, which sume ballances his account. And also received of him Mr. Soresbie's bond for one hundred fifty seven pounds nineteen shillings and four pence, and Samuell Carr's note for one pounde one shillinge and six pence, both which said Bond and note are also mencioned in the said Mr. Wordsworth's account.

I say received.

Witness per

ASSESSMENTS AND RENTALS;

ALSO ACCOUNTS

FOR

SETTING FORTH SOLDIERS.

The 15 pages that follow are entered at the latter end of the first book of accounts, from folios 347 to 376, and not in chronological order. In arranging them for publication I have placed them in order of date, beginning with the Fee farm rents of the Lord of the Manor in 1566, and ending with the miscellaneous memoranda on folios 374 and 376. The accounts on folio 367, though dated 1566, embrace items extending to May, 1570, and seem to be supplemental to the accounts printed *ante* pp. 16-24. The sembly quest was held every year on Easter Tuesday, but the dates given for this sembly on pages 19 and 300 do not agree with any Easter Tuesday between 1548 and 1587. Perchance they represent the date when the money was paid, not the date when the sembly was held. Easter Tuesday, 1565, occurred on the 24th April; that of 1566 on the 16th April, and that of 1567 on April 1st. The assessments for November, 1569, and February, 1569 (70), represent the levy on the Town for setting forth the soldiers as related in detail on pages 300 to 307.

The cash received for this work is summarised on page 307.

The Town rentals of 1595, 1599, and 1605 should be compared with that of 1565, printed at pages 13 to 15. In 1565 the total rent was said to be £7 7s., though the figures cast to £7 11s. 4d.; in 1595 it had risen to £8 10s. 8d.; in 1599 to £10 13s. 2d.; in 1605 to £11 6s. 8d.

The Lord's Fee Farm Rents.

[P. 371.] Sheffelde anno domini 1566, xiij° die Julij.—My Lordes Rents for the [fee firme] of the burgery and gather [yd by the] saide burgesses and paid to [my L.] vse as shall hereafter ensue.

Feodarium firme Ville de Sheffeld.

Fryst Uxor Barnarde for my Lordes that she dwelleth in per annum vj d. William Elles for Mr. Parker lande ix d. John Whyte for the churche lande iij d. Edwarde Shewall for my Lorde lande xij d. Thomas Byrley for Eyres land ix d. Rychard Fenton [1] for all the lande that was purchasyd of Mr. Swifte vj s. Uxor Johannis Byrley for my L[ord's] landes iij d. Nycholas Stanyforde for Barker lande xij d. Fraunces Swyft [2] for the house he now dwellth in vj d. William Slacke for my L[ord's] houses vij d. E. ap Robyn for Mr. Fenton lande xij d. Thomas Braye for the house that John Collen and hellyfelde dwelle in v d. The sayde Thomas for the house that Edwarde Eyre dwelleth in vj d. Thomas Barbor [3] for Hornor and Asthley house vj d. John Bryght and Lee lande that Pereson dwellyth in iij d. Thomas Phyllypott for holland land iij d. Roberte Lyttllwod for Styckebucke l[and] iij d. Hughe Sponer for Rychard Shewall [4] l[and] ij s. viij d. The Churchewardens for Churche lande vij s. ij d. Thomas Wryght for his lande vj d. Thomas Holland [5] for his lande vj d. John Byrley lande vj d. William Slatter for Twelle lande ix d. Thomas Bryghte for Parker lande vij d. ob. Thomas Storres for Backers lande v d. William Greves for hode lande vz John Jackson iiij d., Thomas Ule iij d., Henry Doune iiij d., xjd. John Hobson for hode lande j d. Thomas Hartley for Shemeld l[and] iij d. Thomas Byrley for dey' house iij d. Roberte Stevyn for Barker lande xv d. John Hobson for a house iij d. Hughe Sponer for Abbey lande ij d.

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[1] 34 Hen. VIII. Ricardus Fenton is admitted to one messuage and nine acres in Southey which lately were in the tenure of Thomas Swifte.—*Sheffield Court Rolls.*

[2] 3 and 9 Philip and Mary—Thomas Beighton et Dionisia uxor ejus surrender one messuage and all their lands in the soke of Sheffield to the use and behoof of Francis Swift for 30 years.—*Sheffield Court Rolls.*

[3] 32 Hen. VIII., Dec. 14.—Ricardus Barbar surrenders all his lands and one messuage in Fulwood, and all those lands which he holds by the surrender of William Barbar, who got them by the surrender of Radolphus Lee, to the use and behoof of Thomas Barbar and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten.—*Court Rolls.*

[4] Probably Richard Shemall or Shemeld.

[5] 23 Hen. VII.—Thomas, son of Thomas Holland, seeks to be admitted to one messuage and a half bovat, &c., in Fulwood.—*Court Rolls.*

Rychard Hale for the moyte of the Hartsheade his parte iiij d. William Southe for the same for Greves ij d. William Tomson for his lande iij d. Summa pagine xxxj s. xi d. ob.

[P. 372.] William Horner and Thomas Hornor for my Lordes land in theyr handes v s. James Haldysworthe for Mr. Eyre l [and] xij d. The same for his owne lande j d. Thomas Starger for chelnor lande v s. v d. Thomas Scargell[1] for his lande xvj d. Roberte Lewes for the new halle vij d. Bryan Jeysoppe for my L[ord's] lande vj d. Rychard Foxe for the churche lande iij d. Roberte Fayrbank for the same iij d. Uxor Hethnor for the same iij d. Hughe Pereson for his lande iij d. Roberte More for his house that Dey is in xij d. John Dalton for the churche lande iij d. William Lee for Bawmen lande v d. Humfray Bayte iiij d. Roberte Bower for his lande iij d. Roberte Lee for Fraunces More lande ijd. Robert Colson for my L[ord's] lands v d. John Hill for his lande ij s. vij d. Thomas Boore for Mr. Fenton lande xx d. Rychard Wylkynson for the same vj d. William Hobson for the sayd Mr. Fenton iij d. Thomas Borowes for my L[ord's] lande xij d. Thomas Borowes for his owne lande v d. John Horner for my Lordes lande xij d. Summa pagine xxv s. ij d.

The totall somme as apperyth by the partyculers lvij s. j d. ob. whereof To be payde to my Lordes ferme greve of Hallamshire yerly as hathe bene accostomed tyme out of mynde of man as is apparaunt by my Lorde's Rentalles & his audytor boke in the allownces of anno Regni Regis H. viij v to. lv s. ij d. ob. And so Restyth for hym that gathers it xxiij d.

A Remembrance that Edwarde Pavye sayth Frances Swyft as he thinks shulde pay more for house xij d.

Folios 303 to 346 are blank. Folios 365 and 366 are blank.

[P. 367.] Anno domini 1566.—The Reconynge of James H[aldsworth] and Edward ap Ropyn[2] for the . . . Rent for one holle yere as followeth

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[1] 1575, Aug. 8.—Will of Thomas Scargill, of Sheffield, yeoman. William, my son; Dionise, my wife; Dionise, dau. of Thos. S., my son, deceased; Thomas, son of Robt. S., my godson; Nicholas S., brother of the said Thomas S.; Joana, daughter of John Swyfte, of Whitehouse, deceased; Ellen S., my daughter; Ann Hole, my wife's dau.; Thomas and Ann, children of Thomas Hall; Elizabeth, wife of Robert Scargill; John Shemeld, my uncle; John Bullus and Nicolas Hobson, my sons-in-law. Proved 29 March, 1576.—*Gatty's Ecclesfield Registers, p.* 134.

[2] Edward ap Ropyn or Robin appears several times in these accounts. As Edward ap Robte he paid 8d. to the tax of 1569, and as Edward ap Robyn 4d. to the tax of 1570.

Fyrst thei receyvyd for the same one yere by theyr bill of parcells - - - - -	xxxviij s. ij d.
Wherof	
Paid for xiij mens dyners of the semble quest the xviij of Aprill - - - - -	iiij s. iiij d.
Item gevyn the clerke of the Court for takynge in the verdyt - - - - - -	xij d.
Item paid for wrytynge - - - - -	xvj d.
Item paid for theyr fees - - - - -	xvj d.
Item spent at the gatheringe - - - -	ij d.
Summa payde viij s. ij d.	
And so	
Restyth of this accompte and Thomas Braye was chargyed with it - - - - -	xxx s.
Wherof	
Delyuryd to Jaymes Heldysworthe and Nycholus Stanyforde for the mendynge of Brytlande [1] well as apperythe by theyr bill	xiij s.
Item more payde by the same Thomas Braye the xxvijth daye of October for x of the burgesses dyners at the Reconyng of Nycholas Stanyforde and Fraunces Swyfte [2] - -	iij s. iiij d.
Item paid more the xxvjth daye of November 1569 for headynge the heds of xxij arrowes	vj d.
1570 Item gevyn to henry Cock the Scole Master the xijth daye of May in Rewarde [3]	v s.
Item paid the xxiiijth daye of Maye 1570 for dryncke and meat at William Waltons [4] for certen of the burgesses at the conclusyon of bokes for makynge of the souldyors for seruynge of the quenes majestie - - -	xx d.

[P. 347.] Anno Domini 1569 Sheffeld.—A rate for the sessynge of the towne for seruynge of the queenes majestie in november anno Regni Reginæ Elizabethæ xj for makynge of soulders as followeth :

Henry Roodes xv d.[5] Jaymes Turner vj s. viij d. Masters barnerde and malen stacye xv d.[6] William Elles iij s. iiij d.

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[1] Brytland well, one of the public wells of the town, but the name is now lost.

[2] This is the only notice of the schoolmaster I have seen in the Burgery accounts. In the accounts of the Church Burgesses for 1567 and 1568 occur payments to Mr. Yonge, "scole mr."

[3] See p. 21.

[4] See p. 23.

[5] In 2nd assessment, vj d.

[6] In 2nd assessment, vij d.

Thomas Melles[1] vj d. Roberte hynclyf vj d.[2] William hethcote ij s.[3] Thomas Phyllype xv d.[4] Thomas byrley xv d.[4] Thomas Braye vij s. vj d. Nycholas doughtyman ij s. vj d. Roberte hepynstall xv d.[4] Nycholas stanyforde v s. Fraunces swyfte ij s. vj d.[5] William Slacke iij s. iiij d. Edwarde hellyffelde iij d. Thomas banes xv d.[4] Roberte more viij s.[6] John Collen xx d.[7] Edwarde Eyre xij d.[8] Stevyn Elles iij d.[9] Thomas Pereson xv d.[10] Thomas Phyllypott[11] and Roberte Lyttylwodde.[12] Thomas Swallowe ij s. vj d.[13] Hughe Sponer xx d. Antony hybbert iiij d. John Wryghte vj d. John hawkeshurst[14] Thomas hartley vj d. Henry basse j d.[15] John Hobson j d.[14] William hornor iiij d. Raf hollenhedde xx d. Thomas brockson j d.[15] Thomas grenewodde j d.[15] Thomas Roodes j d.[15] Alexander tryckett j d.[16] Roberte grenewodde iij d.[16] John Phyllypotte j d[15] Jaymes hyeley ij d. William Sklatter[17] xviij d. Thomas Robynson vj d.[18]. William macheon j d.[15] John Jackson j d.[15] Summa pagine lxvj s. xj d.

[P. 348.] Jaymes ynglande vj d. Nycholas bomfordde xviij d. Chrystopher haywarde[19]. William twygge vj d. Nicholas twygge iiij d. Thomas bryley[20]. Roberte hobson viij d. William Bryghte ij d. Henry Don j d.[15] John Crawen j d.[15] John Maggeson iiij d. Chrystopher shawe ij d. Rychard bate j d.[15] Roberte Stevyn j d.[15] Lawrense barley j d.[15] John Lee j d.[15] Rychard Tomson ij d. William selvester iiij s. vj d. Thomas goodeyre ij d. John Mosle x d. Roberte sponer vj d. vxour byrley[21]. William Walton ij s. Rychard Roberte x d.[22] Rychard Twygge iij d.[23] Thomas Shawe xviij d. John Tryppett xij d. Rychard Sponer ij d.[15] Henry Swyfte ij s. William dycconson xv d.[4] george Roberte iiij d. Rychard brodley xv d.[4] [24] Rychard byrley iiij d. Roberte vrter ij s. Adam gylle ij s. vj d. William Southe ij d. Thomas Cooke xij d. Thomas townende xv d.[4] Rychard hornour xv d.[4] Thomas hornor vj d. George tyncker xv d.[4] Jaymes haldysworthe v s. vj d.[25] vxor Shawe xv d.[4] Thomas fayrehurst iiij d. Robert Scargell vj d.[26]

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[1] In 2nd assessment, spelt "meeles." [2] In 2nd assessment, ij d.
[3] In 2nd assessment, xvj d. [4] In 2nd assessment, vij d.
[5] In 2nd assessment, xij d. [6] In 2nd assessment, no sum entered.
[7] In 2nd assessment, viij d. [8] In 2nd assessment, iiij d.
[9] In 2nd assessment, j d. [10] In 2nd assessment, vj d.
[11] In 2nd assessment, j d. [12] In 2nd assessment, nill.
[13] xiiij d. [14] iij d., spelt "hackeshurst." [15] The same.
[16] ij d. [17] Spelt "slatter," viij d. [18] "George heape," j d.
[19] iij d. [20] xij d. [21] j d. [22] iiij d. [23] ij d.
[24] Omitted in second list. [25] ij s. iij d. [26] iiij d.

Thomas scargell v s. vxor haunte[1] viij d. [2] vxor daye j d. [2] vxor ynglande j d. [2] James Tayler j d. [2] vxor nayler j d. [2] Thomas arther j d. Thomas Marsden ij d [3] Summa pagine xlv s. vj d.

[P. 349.] William gee j d.[2] Roberte hybbert ij s. Roberte fayrbanck xx d.[4] Roberte brookesbancke iiij d. William trypyett iiij d. Thomas tryppett iiij. d. Thomas harryson vi d. John blande viij d. Vxor broune viij. d. Thomas creswyke xij d. bryan Jepson xij d. John Dey vj d. William wodde viij d. hugh strey vj d. humffrey bate vj d. William Lee iij d. [2] John Dalton ij d. george braywell xij d. vxor Walton [2] iiij d. Thomas Barley ij d. Roger Rawstarne j d. [3] william Scargell xij d. [5] vxor Langley [2] John Launcelott [2] Margett thruston [2] Robert hyne j d. [3] Roberte boowre xx d. William perlyngton xx d. Robert Lee xij d. John tysdale [2] wynter [2] Thomas spencer xv d.[6] Robert hyll viij. d. Thomas boore x d.[7] vxor wylkynson ij s. william hobson j d. [3] Thomas spencer j d.[3] Thomas borowes vj d. John hornor iiij s. [8] Lawrence Shemelde vj d. John sanwodde j d. [2] vxor Lowe nill. Thomas Lener j d. [3] Nycholas stanyforde j d. [3] Roberte Rogers j d.[3] John Wylkynson ij. [3] William hawke j d. [3] Rychard Wodde xv d. [9] Edwarde ap Roberte viij d. Summa pagine xxxj s. ij d.

[P. 350.] William Smythe [10] vj d. Thomas Clayton xv d. [9] Olyver hurst ij s. Constables Arthur Clayton and John Sheldon nill. [11]. Lawrence tryppet iiij d. Henry tryppet iiij d. hughe hawke de Leveegreve [12] ij s. Summa pagine vj s. v d. [13]

The totall Somme is as partyculerly apperyth vij li. x s. Whereof Laurence Shemelde had his abated for his paynes takynge in getheringe of the same money vj d. Thomas borowes had also abatyd his for takyng certen harnes agayn vj d.—xij d. And so there Restyd of this Collectyon vij li. ix s.

[P. 351.] Anno Domini 1569 Sheffield.—The rate or sessynge the town The ijd tyme in February Anno Regni

[1] Spelt "Hunte." [2] Omitted in second list.
[3] In 2nd assesement, nil. [4] viij d. [5] x d. [6] vj d.
[7] iiij d. [8] j d. [9] In 2nd assessment, vij.
[10] The surname omitted, a mark in its place.
[11] "Roberte Rowlynson vj d." [12] "de Leveegreve" omitted.
[13] William hale vj d. Richard turnour j d." The totall Somme of this sessynge as apperyth by the partyclers lxxj s. x d." (This is the end of the list. There are no sums abated.)

Regine anno xij° for the makynge of souldyers as followeth :

[Here follows a list of names with the amounts annexed. Any differences between this and the first list are marked in the notes. Except where noted otherwise the amounts in the second list are half those in the first.]

[P. 354.][1] Sheffelde, Anno Domini 1569.—The charges of settynge forthe of iiijre towneshippe men the xvijth daye of Nouember to seruynge of Quenes majestie as ffolloyth —

Fyrst paid to the sayde iiijre men for the wages by the commandment of my Lorde Darcye[2] and the rest of the commyssyoners lxvj s. viij d. Item payde to Jaymes Haldysworthe for yron kelther xiij yerds at vij d. the yerde & for theyr coots vij s. vij d. Item paid to John Sheldon for vij yerds and iij quarters of Kelter at the like price iiij s. vj d. Item paid for iiij yerds and a quarter of the same Sheldon at viij d. the yerde ij s. x d. Item paid to John Tryppett for too payre of boots xi s. Item paid to Roberte More for iiijre Sculls[3] at xx d. a pece vj s. viij d. Item paid for iiijre cappes for the sayde sculles at xvj d. the pece v s. iiij d. Item payde to Jaymes Haldysworthe for a Jacke iiij s. vj d. Item paid to Roberte More for ij yerds of clothe to cover the same jack xiiij d. Item paid to Arther Cleyton for one payre of bootes v s. Item payde for a dosen poynts[3] ij d. Item paid to Rychard Byrley for packe clothe xvj d. Item paid to John Mosley for a payre of boots v s. Item paid for oone bill to Roberte Bowre xx d. Item paid for a bill to Hughe Sponer xx d. Item paid to Jaymes Haldysworthe for a bill ij s. Item paid to Roberte More for a Jacke[4] vj s. Item paid to Jaymes Haldysworthe for wantye [surcingle] xij d. Item paid to George More for writying iiij d. Item delyveryd to Laurence Sutton for conducte money being a Soudyour iij s. iiij d. Item to Nycholas Atkynson for the lyke iij s. iiij d. Item to John Tryckett for the lyke iij s. iiij d. Item to Edwarde

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[1] These accounts are entered towards the end of the volume, though they belong to 1569. They are not the ordinary accounts of Burgery, but detail the extraordinary expenditure on account of the northern rebellion. Sir Ralph Sadler was paymaster of the forces under the Earl of Sussex, Lord President of the North.

[2] John Darcye held Doncaster for the Queen. He was grandson or great grandson of Thomas Lord Darcy who was executed 30 Henry VIII. for his share in the insurrection called the Pilgrimage of Grace. John Lord Darcy died 1575.

[3] Laces; shoe-strings.

[4] Sculls were an iron defence for the head sewed inside the cap. Jack, a coat of mail or a military coat worn over a coat of mail.

Ygnaram [Ingram] for the like iij s. iiij d. Item paid for iiij daggers for the sayde souldyours at xx d. a pece vj s. viij d. Summa pagine vij li. xiiij s. v d.

[P. 355.] Item payde to Thomas Shawe for Makynge a pair of sloppes and a jerkyn [1] x d. Item paid to Malin Stacye for makynge of ij payre of sloppes ij jyrkyns xx d. Item paid to Thomas Fayrhurst for makynge of a payre of sloppes [2] and a jerkyn x d. Item paid to John Twygge for coverynge a jacke vj d.[3] Item paid to John Haldysworthe for caryeage of the souldyours harnes to Yorke and beynge there viij s. Item payde for breackefast for viij of the burgesses the sayde xvij daye of Nouember xxj d. Item paid to Laurence Shemelde and John Sheldon for the settynge furth of the same iiij men and theyr costs xvij s. vj d. Summa pagine xxxj s. j d.

The Totall some paid for the charges hereof as partyculerly apperyth ix li. v s. vj d.

[P. 356.] Sheffeld, Anno Domini 1569.—The charges of the xij souldyours lyinge in Dancaster in Nouember and all other charges aboute the same by my Lordes Darcyes and the rest of the Quenes Majesties Commyssoners as folloyth:—

Fyrst payde to Robert More for iijre yards of lynnen clothe xxj d. Item payde for iijre yerds and a dimidio of harden [4] at vij d. the yerd for coverynge Jacks ij s. ob. Item payde to Lawrence Foxe for chaynes for furnysthe of iiijre men at xvj d. the pece vj s. viij d. Item payde to Olyver Hurste for liiij yerds of kelter at vij d. the yerde for jerkyns and sloppes xxxj s. vj d. Item paid to Jaymes Haldysworthe for xij yerds and iij quarters of kelter at vij d. the yerde vij s. vj d. Item payde to the same James for iij quarters fryse vj d. Item paid to Henry Rodes for vj yerds kelter at viij d. the yerde iiij s. Item paid to John Whyte for a sculle xx d. Item paid to William Elles for the dressynge of iijre salletts and a payre of splents [5] xvj d. Item paid to William Dyccon-son [6] for meylynge [7] of salletts iiij d. Item paid to Rycharde

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[1] Jerkyn, a kind of jacket; a waistcoat.—*Halliwell's Dic.*

[2] Slops. Large wide breeches.—*Halliwell.*

[3] Jack, a coat of mail; a defensive upper garment, quilted with stout leather.—*Halliwell.*

[4] Harden cloth, a coarse, home-made linen—fustian.

[5] A sallet was a light helmet with projection behind. Splints, armour of overlapping plates like scales of a lobster.

[6] William Dickenson, senior, was bailiff to the Earl of Shrewsbury, and a most important personage. He died 30th May 1606, and Gilbert Dickenson came to the Lord's Court 2nd Oct., and sought to be admitted

Hale for couerynge of a sculle ij d. Item paid to Rychard Hale and John Day couerynge of a Jacke vj d. Item paid to William Twygge for makynge of ij payre of sloppes and ij jerkyns xx d. Item paid for makynge of iijre jyrkyns and iijre payre of sloppes to Thomas Shawe ij s. vj d. Item paid to Thomas Fayrehurste for makynge of vj jerkyns and vj payres of sloppes v s. Summa pagine lxvij s. j d. ob.

[P. 357.] Item paid to John Haldysworthe for caryeage of harnes to Dancaster ij s. iiij d. Item paid to John Hurst for the caryeage of harnes to Dancaster ij s. Item paid for the charges of the xij. souldyeurs at Dancaster for the space of iiij days at every of them viij d. by the daye xxxij s. Item paid for the charges of Laurence Shemelde Adam Gyll and John Sheldon with theyr horses in Dancaster from the xxvth of Nouember to the ij d. of December the space of viij dayes xiiij s. j d. Item paid for poynts for the souldyers viij d. Item paid for ij sworde gyrdylls viij d. Item paid for a bowe strenge j d. Item paid for the charges of ij of the souldyours that dyd Remayne byhynde at Dancaster xj s. iiij d. Item paid for the charges of John Sheldon, with the hyre of a horse to Dancaster iij s. iiij d. Item paid by Adam Gyll for the charges and borde of the souldyors at Dancaster more xxviij s. Item paid for ij daggers and ij payre of showes for the ij souldyours vj s. iiij d. Item paid for a sworde gyrdyll for Jowles viij d. Item paid for the charges of Adam Gyll one nyght at Dancaster x d. Item paid for the hyre of a horse iijre sundry tymes to Dancaster for the same Adam ij s. Item paid to Rychard Roberte for wrtynge iijre or iiijre sundry tymes xij d. Item paid for mendynge of a sheffe [sheaf] of arrowes xvj d. Item paid to Laurence Shemelde for the hyre of a horse to Dancaster ij sundry tymes xvj d. Item paid to Laurence Shemelde for goynge abowte the towne to helpe to gethor the money xij d. Item paid to Rychard Roberte for wrtynge iiij d. Summa pagine v li. ix s. iiij d.

[P. 358.] Item gevyn to Thomas Borowes for that he toke his harnes agayn vj d. Item paid to John Sheldon for costs and charges of hymself at Dancaster over xl s. whyche he received xxij s. ij d. Item paid the xxvth of Nouember for xij of the honest men's dyners of the towne at Waltons iij s. viij d. Item paid to Laurence Sutton for his meat by Reward viij d. Item paid to Roberte More for the full pay-

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to lands in Chapeltown as being his son and heir aged 40 years. *Sheffield Court Rolls*. Gilbert Dickenson married one of the daus. and coheirs of Thomas Housley, of Housley Hall, in the parish of Ecclesfield.

[7] Perhaps adding *mail* or steel network to the helmets.

ment of his bill of the fyrst souldyours x s. x d. Summa pagine xxxvij s. x d.

The totall some paid as aperyth by the partyculers herof x li. xiiij s. iij d. ob.

Sheffelde eodem anno. The charges of the ij soldyours that shulde haue gone in February vz Tryckett and Sutton as followeth

Fyrst delyuryd to John Sheldon, constable, and Laurence Shemeld, to paye for a corselett and a pyke, by the commyssyoners commandment xxxij s. iiij d. Item delyuryd to the sayde John and Laurence to paye for harqabussury [1] with a moryon [2] by the lyke commandment xx s. Item delyuryd to the same John to paye for other charges as shulde be necessarye with theyr owne charges vij s. j d. Item gevyn to Laurance Sutton for his conducte money v s. Item gevyn to John Tryckett for the lyke v s. Item to the said Laurence for his boots iiij s. Item paid to Arther Cleyton for a payre of bootes for Tryckett iiij s. viij d. Item delyuryd them money to bye them eyther of them a dagger iij s. iiij d. Item paid to Thomas Shewe for makynge of ij white cootes xv d. Item paid to John Sheldon for Vve yerds and dimidio of clothe to make theyr cootes vij s. Item paid to Arthur Clayton for a sworde ij s. iiij d., and Thomas Byrley another ij s. viij d., v s. Item there Rest to John Sheldon as apperyth by his bill ij s j d. Summa pagine iiij li. xvj s. ix d.

[P. 359.] Sheffeld eodem anno. The charges of settynge forthe the Saudyours in Aprill with the blew coote as Folloyth [3]

Fyrst the constable costes at Ecclesfelde vj d. Item at Rotheram at the muster of the soldyours with whyte coote x d. Item at Ecclesfelde at the muster of the blewe coote viij d. Item the costes of John Sheldon at Dancaster another tyme viij d. Item the charges of the sayde John and John Hornor at Conysborowe to Receive the money xiij d. Item the charges of Arthur Clayton at Conysborowe and John Tryckett xiij d. Item the costes of Arthur Clayton and John

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[1] Harquibusery: that is matters appertaining to a harquebus, a sort of musket, discharging a ball of about 2oz. weight.

[2] Morion, a conical skull-cap with a rim round it.—*Halliwell.*

[3] There was a muster of blue coats in April, in obedience to a warrant from the Queen to Sir Ralph Sadler, dated March 11th, This warrant set forth that it was necessary to levy and send a number of horsemen towards the borders of Scotland, and Sadler was directed to summon those liable to furnish their quota. (See Sadler papers, vol. 2, p. 423.)

Tryckett at Phompheret[1] iij s. ij d. Item paid for blewe clothe for to make Tryckett a coote of vij s. x d. Item gevyn Tryckett for his conduct money v s. Item gevyn Tryckett more for hose and shoos iij s. iiij d. Item paid for a yerde and a half of fustyan for a doublett for Tryckett ij s. vj d. Item paid for canvas and bottons for the same xj d. Item paid for makynge of the cote and doublet xvj d. Item paid for a pomell of a sworde and mendynge the same xij d. Item paid by Arther a Clayton to Mr. Anne of Frycley[2] for or by the commendement of the commyssyoners xx s. The holle somme of charges as doyth appere partyculerly xlix s. xj d. The totall somme payde as well for the iiijre men that went fyrst as also the xijve men that ley at Dancaster, the two whyte cootes that shulde have gone, the blewe coote with all the costes and charges aboute the same which the towne hathe borne of theyr costes as apperythe by the partyculers of this boke xxvij li. vj s. v d. ob.

[P. 360.] Sheffelde, Anno Domini 1569 and anno 1570.—These parcells of money the Towne had and hathe leyvyened for the payment of the somme of charges as hereafter folloyth :—

Fyrst there Remayned in the commen boxe in November afforsayde 1569 the somme of vj li. vj s. j d. Item Receyvyd of Roberte More and Rycharde Hale gatherers of the Rent for one hole yere endyd at chrystynmas last viz 1569 v li. xv s. ij d. Item Received for the fyrst collectyon or ley of the towne in November afforsayde as apperyth by this boke by the partyclers vij li. ix s. Item Received of the seconde collectyon or ley as also doyth appere lxxj s. x d. Item Received of Nycholas Stanyforde and Fraunces Swyfte for the Rest of theyr Reconynge for yere endyd at Chrystynmas 1568[3] xxix s. viij d. Item Received of Roberte Rowlynson over and above ij Jackes which was for the xij Jerkyns and sloppes that was made for the xij souldyrs that lay in Dancaster iiij s. iiij d. The wholle somme of the Receyte as apperyth xxiiij li. xvij s. j d.

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[1] Pontefract: Sir Thos. Gargrave, of Wakefield, held Pontefract Castle for the Queen.

[2] Martin Anne, of Frickley a descendant of Sir Wm. Anne, Constable of Tickhill Castle, temp. Edward II. His son, George Anne, entered his pedigree at Glover's Visitation of Yorkshire, 1584. Arms:—Gules three bucks' heads caboshed argent, attired or. Crest: A woman's head couped at the shoulders proper.

[3] See page 22 *ante*.

[P. 369.] Villa de Sheffeld.—The Rentall of the Burgerie belonging to the towne of Sheffeld for one whole yeare endyd at Martynmas 1595 made and accompted for by Robert Rollenson Collector for that yere this 24 June 1596.

Nicholas Peareson for a howse viij s. and William Elles. Thomas Byrley for a cottage ij s. Robert Lee a cottage ij s. William Hodgson the like iiij s. William Robertes the like x d. John Grenewood the like x d. John Mosley wiff for the house at townehead vj s. viij d. Margarett Mettam a cottage iij s. iiij d. vidua Batley, etc. iij s. iiij d. George Eyre xxij d. George Ludge iij s. ij d. James Trewlove a howse xj s. Henrye Lee for higgens howse xiij s. viddowe higgen for lee howse vij s. Thomas Fletcher a howse viij s. Thomas Whyte a howse ix s. william Rodger xiiij s. James Fenton a howse v s. uxor Harwood the like iiij s. iiij d. Nicholas Atkenson the like iij s. iiij d. vidua Breywell the like xvj s. John Walton the like viij s. Thomas Barely the like x s. Christofer Byrley the like xj s. John Sheldon the like x s. John Tayler for Hurst House Webster house and Taylears house v s. Summa total is per annum viij li. x s. viij d.

no encrease and yet 12d. found in the Rentall not charged before. per Richard Robertes.

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[P. 368.] Villa de Sheffeld.—The Rentall of the Burgery belonginge to the towne of Sheffeld for one yere ended at Martlemas 1598 made and accompted for by Roger lee collector for that year this June the viijth 1599 which was the first yere the rent was increased.

Nicholas Pearsone xx s. Thomas Birley iij s. vidua lee iij s. william Roberts v s. William Hodgson iiij s. vj d. Johne Grenewode vj s. william Bright vj s. viij d. Margaret Mettam iij s. iiij d. Thomas Mawar iij s. iiij d. George Eyre xxij d. George Lodge iij s. ij d. James Trewlove xvj s. Henry Lee xvj s. viij d. Thomas Collen xij s. Thomas Fletcher viij s. Thomas White ix s. William Roger xiiij s. James Fenton v s. vidua Harwood iiij s. iiij d. vidua Atkenson iij s. iiij d. Laurence Braywell xvj s. Johne Walton xij s. Johne Barley x s. Christoffer Birley xj s. Johne Sheldon x s. Johne Tayler v s. Edmund Wildsmith xij d. Summa totalis x li. xiij s. ij d.

[P. 364.] A rentall for the towne of Sheffeld burgery due att Pentecost and St. Martin this yeare 1605 as foloweth

Nicholas Pearson by yeare xx s. Thomas Birley by yeare iij s. iiij d. widow Lee of Hodgsonn by yeare iij s. Robert

Heynes by yeare v s. John Greenewood by yeare vj s. william Robertes by yeare v s. william Bright for certain houses and a gardeine att towne head by yeare vj s. viij d. Margrett Mettam by yeare iij s. iiij d. Thomas Mower by yeare iij s. iiij d. widow Eyre for herselfe and Ellen Eyer by yeare xxij d. George Lodge by yeare iij s. ij d. James Trulove for his house and widow Newsam house and a gardeine by yeare xvj s. Henry Lee for his house Thomas Sponer house his smithy and gardeine by yeare xvj s. viij d. Thomas Collin for Nicholas Oxpringe house and widow Atkinson house by yeare xij s. Robert Ronkesley by yeare xij s. Thomas White by yeare ix s. william Roger for his house orchard and gardiene by yeare xiiij s. James Fenton by yeare v s. widowe Harwood by yeare iiij s. iiij d. widowe Atkinsonn by yeare iij s. iiij d. Lawrence Brewell for his house and John Staniforth by yeare xvj s. Mathy Blyth by yeare xij s. John Barlowe his house by yeare xiij s. iiij d. Christofer Birley by yeare xi s. William Mosley for his stable and Thomas Bradley and widow Fletcher theire houses by yeare xiij s. iiij d. John Taylier for Richard Webster house Roberte Clarke house and Mr. Sampsonn Taverne v s. Edward Wildsmith for his house by yeare in the occupacion of Rose Woodhouse xij d. widow Hancock and Richard Hancock for theire severall houses by yeare ij s. Some is xj li. vj s. viij d.

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[Building Sheath Bridge.]

[P. 374.] July the firste anno domini 1596.

Memorandum that Robert Rollinson receyued of the Church towardes the building of Sheath bridge - - - - - -	xl s.
Memorandum that he received more of the colleccion that were gathered in the town	vj li. xiij d.
Summa viij li. xiij d.	
Memorandum that he made his reckoninge for the same money which he received of the Church and towne upon the first day of July anno domini 1596 of vij li. xiiij s. ix d. which he had paid out about building of the same bridge and other thinges, and withall did pay in money the some of vj s. iiij d. that were remaining of the said some of viij li. xiij d.[1] - - - - - - - -	vj s. iiij d.

[1] This short account is interesting because it shows the Burgery and the Church (*i.e.*, the Church Burgesses, properly called the Twelve Capital

witnesses of the same be

Wylliam Dyckinson	John Harrison
James Howldworth	Arthure Clayton
Rychard Allyn	Robert Staniforth
William Creswicke	Henry Trippett
Roger Lee	Nicholas Pearson
Robert Spooner	John Sheldon
Thomas Robynson	France Barley
John Pearson Barker poole	William Newboult

[CONSTABLES' MEMORANDA.]

Memorandum that Roberte Staniforth and Lawrence Holland constables made their true accompte to thinhabitants of Sheffield the Tenth daie of aprill 1607.

And dyd then delyver to Homfrey Staniforth constable this yere 1607 all such armore as they had belonginge to the said towne as apeareth by a note in the last end of this booke.

[P. 375.] The 8th of May 1611.

[1] Memorandum that the daie and year above written Thomas Skargell and Thomas Syddall constables made their accompts to the inhabitants of the Towne of Sheffeld and did deliver into the hands of the said Thomas Skargell appointed collector for the Towne rents the next year xxiij s. which remeined in their handes undisbursed.

The xiijth of June 1612.

Memorandum that the daie and year above written, Hugh Roberts and Edward Hyll constables made their accomptes to the inhabitants of the Towne of Sheffield and did deliver into the hands of Thomas Skargell the ould collector iiij s. ix d. which remained in their hands undisbursed to bee by him delivered to Roger Lee appointed collector of the Towne rents for the next year.

[P. 376.] [The following entries are on the last page of the book.]

. . . the bagge in the Common chyste . .
iijth daye of Aprill 1567 - - - - iiij li. xv s.
Item there is more put into the bagge in the commen chyste as doyth apperyth in the boke of Thomas Braye and Roberte Bower accompts the iiijth of Julye, 1568 - - liiij s. ix d.

Burgesses) contributing, along with the town, to build a bridge over the Sheaf. The repair of bridges and highways was one of the obligations of the Capital Burgesses.

[1] Constables were bound within fourteen days after going out of office to deliver an account to be laid before a parish meeting.

The xxvjth of Maye 1602.

Memorandum that Rowland Lord and Henry Steven constables hath delyvered into the hands of Richard Webster and John Bransome the next constables suceding them in Sheffeld Towne the townshipp harnes as followeth &c. vid.

Fyrst two black and one white corsletts with iij head peces, and ij other head peces. Towe callyvers, a flaxe with a touch boxe, one other flaxe without touch boxe, ij swords, one dagger, foure pykes, and tenne gyrdles.

The xijth. of September anno domini, 1605.

Remember that Rowland Lord and Nicholas Pearson constables made their accompts the daye and year above said and at the same Reckoning or accompte the said Roland and Nicholas had and yet have the some of xxxiiij s. v d. in their hands and also they must gather in and make accompts of x s. vj d. of those persons which have not payd their cesement besyde the said xxxiiij s. v d.

The xxiijth of Maye anno domini 1606.

Memorandum that Roberte Alsoppe and Rolland Lord made there accompts the daye and yere abovesaid, and the said ij men being constables paid at this accompt xxix s. vj d. which xxix s. vj d. was paid to William Mosley of an old reckeng for a corslett.

1606.

Delevered the xxiiij of May Into the handes of Robart Staniforth Constable of Sheffeld as followeth

First nyne head peces, three muskites with scrues and mouldes, three calivers, eyght sordes, eayght dagars, fowre corslites, fyve flaxes, fyve touch boxes, three restes for muskits, fower pickes, eayght girdeles [1].

[1] The parish armour has been referred to in previous notes. The constables had official charge of the armour, and these memoranda were the receipts they took on handing the pieces on to their successors.

THE SEMBLY QUEST OR GREAT COURT LEET.

To give some idea of the scope of the public work done by the Sembly Quest or Great Court Leet, yearly referred to in the foregoing accounts from 1565 onwards, I have extracted from the writings preserved in the Duke of Norfolk's Sheffield estate office (by the kind permission of Mr. Ellison) the following record of one year's Court.

In the Introduction to the Manchester Court Leet Records it is stated that the Statute 18 Edward II., 1325, shows "what things Stewards in Leets shall enquire into." Among others were the following:—Whether all the jurors who owe suit to this Court be come; of purprestures [or nuisances to the tenants] made in lands, woods, and waters; of walls, houses, ditches, and hedges set up or beaten down; of bounds withdrawn and taken away; of ways or paths opened or stopped; of waters turned or stopped or brought from their right course; of blood shed and of frays made; of assize of bread and ale; of false measures, balances, and weights; of such as continually haunt taverns; of such as sleep by day and watch by night, and eat and drink well, and have nothing.

[Sheffield Court Leet.]

"These be the paynes laid by the Twelve men of the jury of the Sembly quest for the towne of Sheffield at the Sembly Court holden at the sembly the 18 day of Aprill 1609 as followeth

Imprimis a payne laid that all and every person and persons which have any grounds adjoininge or buttinge on Sheremore, Sheremore layne, Mortoune wheele layne, Upperthorpe layne, Brockway hill layne, Gillcarr layne, blynd lane, Cole pitt layne, or any of them, doe skower and clense their ditches and water courses ther as hertofore have been payned and accustomed And doe cutt the banks of the ditches ther so that the water may have passage and be continually kept in the right courses, and snath [1] and brush ther hedges and fences ther that carriages may pass without any interruption

[1] Snath; cut—Old English, *snœdan*; German, *schneidan*.

before Penticost next and so to keepe the same at all tymes, in payne of every one not doing his or ther duties therein to forfeite for every defaulte iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that all and every old accustomed former paynes which have beene heretofore laid and set downe within the towne of Sheffeild shall from henceforth stand in force according to the true meaning of every of the said paynes in payne of every person and persons not doinge ther duties therein to forfeite and lose for every severall offence so often as he or they shall offend iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that the Constables of Sheffeild shall make ther true accounts unto the inhabitants of the same towne of all such somes of money and other thinges which they or either of them have received or laid forth for and concerninge the town of Sheffeild before Pentecost next And that the two Constables cominge next after them shall before the Annunciation of the virgin Mary next make ther iust accounts unto the inhabitants of the said towne or the more parte of them what they have receiued or laid forth concerninge the said towneshippe in payne of every of them xx s.

Item a payne laid that no person or persons shall at any tyme hereafter wash any clothes, calfe heads, calfe meates, or swyne meates, or other things, within three yarde of the towne head well, new hall well, Burtland well or any other common well in and about the same towne for corruptinge the said wells in payne of and for every time iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that no person shall make any wedding dinner for which he shall take above vj d. a person and also that no person shall bydd or make any Goose feastes, carries,[1] or any other feastes or dinners for which he or shee take above vj d. a person and that no person shall at any of the said dinners or feastes pay above vj d. a person in payne of every person to loose for every time[2] xx s.

Item a payne laid that the farmer or keeper of the backhowse oven shall bake mens breade well in the backhouse oven for a penny a mett and not to take or demand any more for the bakinge thereof, that is for one pecke a farthinge, for

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[1] A form of the word *curry*, a dish flavoured with spices.—See *New Eng. Dict.*

[2] It was a custom of the time to hold wedding dinners at which the guests paid, for the profit of the young pair—a form in fact of making them a present.—See Leonard Wheatcroft's account of his wedding feasts at Ashover, which extended over eleven days.—*Journal of the Derbyshire Archaeological Societv*, vol. 18, p. 42. Manchester Court Leet Records contain many references to the charges for wedding feasts.

every two pecks a halfe peny, for every three peckes three farthinges, and for every mett a peny, as have beene heretofore accustomed in payne of every tyme offendinge iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that all the householders within the towne of Sheffeild shall bake ther Rye bread and wheate bread at the common backhouse oven and not in any little oven in payne of every one doing the contrary to forfeite for every default iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that Thomas Skargell before the tenth day of May next comminge shall make one sufficient yate enteringe into the towne feild nigh west barr end so that the same yate shall open and sleak[1] after men (?) when it is opened and not stand still, and so to keepe the same yate well made and repaired from tyme to tyme and at all tymes in payne of x s. (corrected from xx s.)

Item a payne laid that Charles Howsley shall repaire one plonke or foote brigge at one close end called west barre crofte at all tymes hereafter in payne of x s.

Item a payne laid that all those persons which have any groundes lyinge in the towne feildes betweene the said plonke or foote brigge and the towne feild Knowle, or between the towne feild Knowle overthwart one close in the occupacion of Lorance Pearson leading to Upperthorpe, that they may make and set good sufficient steeles in the olde accustomed places that men may goe and come thold waye from the foresaid plonke over the towne feild Knowle vnto Upperthorpe, before the tenth day of May next and so to keepe and vphold the said steels in good repaire that men may goe easily over them at all tymes in payne of every of them vj. s. viij d.

Item a payne laid that no mans sonnes, servants, or apprentices, shall at any tyme hereafter play at certen games called the football, the trippe, the hornobillandes[2] or bads[3] nor any

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[1] *Sleak* is probably used in the sense of "fall to." It was evidently a self-adjusting gate.

[2] Hornobillands. This interesting word stands for "horn-nobilland," "horn-nobling," *i.e.*, horn-striking, and retains the old participial ending in *and*. Seventy years ago a game then called "nobby" was played in Sheffield. It was a rough and violent game, such as the English love to play. A ball made of horn, such as stag's horn, and not unlike a billiard ball, was procured, and the players furnished themselves with knob-sticks. These were usually hazel sticks, with a root or knob at one end. Sides were chosen, and two goals appointed. The object of the players was to drive the ball with the knotted ends of their sticks into their opponents' goal, and as they played they called out "hunyou shinyou." (See this term in Addy's "Sheffield Glossary.") When a ball could not be obtained a piece of stag's horn, or even of wood, was used. The game was some-

of them in the church yard or any other place of the towne streetes in payne of every father and master of such sonnes and servantes to forfeit for every time iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that Thomas Horner shall scour his ditch after Sisottfeild side and keepe the water in the right course that yt breake not into the layne at Upperthorpe yate before Penticost next and so to keep the same at all tymes in payne of x s.

Item a payne laid that Phillip Staynerod shall before Penticost next sufficiently repayre mayntaine and keepe one brigge and one yate in the layne leadinge to Upperthorpe against Charles Howles close and so keepe the same att all tymes in sufficeint reparacons in payne of x s.

Item a payne laid that Edmund Astonne shall before the tenth day of May next scowre his ditch on Shere more after his close side that the water may passe into Colston croft and also do make his fence between his close and James Stanyforts in payne of iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that Widdow Steauen shall scowre her ditch in the middest of her intake at Morton wheele before Pentecost next that the water may pass away in payne of iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that no maner of person or persons shall at any tyme after nyne of the clock vntil three of the clocke in the morninge use walkinge or talkinge in the towne street whereby it shalbe anoyeance to those that be honest men and householders in the said towne in payne of every one so offendinge so often as they are taken or known to behave themselves to the vexacion of their honest neighbours to forfeit x s. And if he be a sonne, servant, or apprentice, the father or master of such sonne, servant, or apprentice, to pay the mercyment due for such sonne, servant, or apprentice.

Item a payne laid that James Hill shall before Penticost next scowre one ditch after his close side in Whithouse lane and so keepe the same at all tymes in payne of iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that all those howsholders dweling in the Church layne between Widow Jacksons house and George Fox his house before Penticost next shall remoove take and carry all such myre, smythie sleck, and filth, being in the towne

times known as "shinty" or "shindy." In this neighbourhood the verger of a church has been called, within living memory, a "knock-nobbler," because he "nobbled" or struck the heads of those who slumbered or slept in church with his staff.

[8] Bad or badde; a rural game played with a bad stick. It probably resembled the game of cat.—"New English Dictionary."

streate against ther houses every one so far as ther howse reacheth And from [this] tyme forth keepe the same street clensed every one against ther own howse And not to cast any sweepeinges of ther howses, smythies sleck, or other things which shall hinder the water passage in payne of every of them to forfeit x s.

Item a payne laid that Thomas Horner, Philip Staynerod, Thomas Webster, and Robert Scargell, shall at all tymes hereafter make and repair one sufficient yate in one place commonly called Horner gappe adjoininge upon Sheremore, and make the way sufficient at the same yate so that all those persons which have any ground butting vppon Brockway side layne, the high Storrs, or other grounde thereaboutes may have passage through the said yate with carriages at all times hereafter without interruption in payne of xx s.

Item a payne laid that Widdow Good or the occupiers of one croft adjoyninge to the blynd layne shall before May day next scower and ditch between the said crofte and one croft in occupacion of Widdow Bright and receuie the water forth of the blynd layne into the said ditch in payne of vj s. viij d.

Item a payne laid that no person shall get any earth or mortar in the blynd lane nor in any place about balme greene nor in any other place about the towne, nighe to the high way in payne of every one for every tyme iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that no howsholder within the towne of Sheffeild shall leave any dung hils before the dores either in streets or laynes but scower and carry them away before Penticost next in payne of every default iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that Edmund Hancock and Malyn Stacy shall scowre ther ditches at the west barr end, entering in at the Sheremore layne, betwixt this and Penticost next and so keepe it from tyme to tyme in payne for every default iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that Charles Howle shall scower his ditch at the townefield lane, by his medden side, betwixt this and Penticost next and so kepe and mayntaine it in payne for every default iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that Lorance Pearson and Edward Eyre shall scower ther ditch being in Brokhill layne betwixt this and Penticost next and so keepe and mayntaine it and for every default to pay iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that Thomas Siddall shall scower his ditch in the towne feilde laine betwixt this and Penticost next and for default iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that no manner of person or persons shall cutt downe and carry any greenewood or break any hedge or carry away any hedgewood in payne of every burthen of greenewood iij s. iiij d. and of every burthen of drywood xij d.

Item a payne laid that no manner of person or persons shall goe or break over any mans ground, backside, or garden in payne of every one such offender so offendinge x s.

Item a payne laid that every householder within the towne of Sheffeild shall keepe ther swyne well and sufficiently rynged in payne of every defaulte iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that Phillip Staynrod beinge foreman of the last jury of the Sembly the last yeare shall make a true account vnto the foreman of the jewry of the Sembly this yeare of all such money as he hath remayninge in his hands of the last yeares accounts betwixt this and May day next in payne of default xx s.

Item a paine laid that Phillip Staynrod shall cutt a ditch of threequarters broad at the broad Meddowe yate upon Shale more to kepe the water in his right course betwixt this and Penticost and so to kepe it from tyme to tyme in payne of vi s. viij d.

Item a payne laid that Lorance Pearson, Widdow Parkin, Widdow Warter, and Thomas Siddall shall snath and cutt ther hedges in Brockhill layne that a wayne may goe with a topp loade betwixt this and Penticost next, and so kepe it sufficiently from tyme to tyme in payne of every one of them in default iij s. iiij d.

Item a payne laid that the overseers of the high wayes shall not discharge any man of his six dayes labour for the common dayes worke under vj d. a man, or else to have (?) a lawfull labourer except such as have draughts and those to worke according to the statut in payne of every default xx s. and that all the overseers of the highe wayes shall give up ther accounts of all such somes of money as they have collected for the mending of the said highwayes within ther yeare to the next Sembly quest in payne of every default xx s.

Item a payne laid that Kellam Homer nor any of his Tennants to the wheele in Colston croft shall grind and glace neither night nor day but they shall draw the by shuttle to let the water passe unto the corne mylne unles they keepe there owne wheele goinge with sufficient water for the said corne mylne in payne for every such default x s.

Officers for this present yeare 1609 in the towne of Sheffeild appointed by the Jury.

Thomas Webster jur[atus] John Quicksall cunstables jurat[us] and Edward Eyre and William Browne to beare either of them x s. being the halfe of (?)

James Claytonne, William Walker, to see and search that flesh, fish, bread, and ale, be lawfull and sufficient according ot the statute.

William Allin, John Creswick, to see that whitmeate as butter and egges be broughte into the markett and none to be sould in the feildes.

Frauncis Stanyforth, George Cleytonne, to see and search that corne be brought into the markett and none to be sould until the markett bell rynge.

William Greaves, William Batte, Heugh Roberts, William Webster, Thomas Phillipat, William Sponer, overseers for the mending of the highe wayes.

Christopher Capper, Randell Elmer, William Machen, Edward Ryp (or Ryx), for searching and sealling of leather.[1]

Christopher Capper, Arthure Parkin, George Harvie, James Hill, appointed to gather money for the paying of the swynherde wage.

Richard Trippett, Robert Clarke, appointed to see that swyne be rynged according to the statute.

James Fyrth, is appointed to looke that none doe corrupt the towne head well with washing of clothes or any other thing else.

Edmund Ashton, is appointed to looke unto the well by Colston crofte side. Henry Steauen, for Burland well, that no persons do wash any clothes to corrupt them.

The names of the Jury this year 1609. Ellis Yonge, William Mosley, George Harvie, Francis More, Robert Alsopp, Gilbert Hauldsworth, Yooman Hancock, Roger Lee, James Hill, Christopher Capper, Arthur Parkin, Humfrey Youle, Robert Staniforth, Francis Horner.

Mercyments set down by the Sembly quest for the towne of Sheffeild sworne at the Sembly court holden there the 18th day of Aprill 1609.

Imprimis that Gilbert Wood did make a fray and blod upon Robert Clarke, we do amercy him therefore vj s. viij d.

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[1] Act 24, Hen. VIII. c. 1. An Act for the true tanning and currying of leather. Mayors, &c., of cities may appoint searchers of leather at a fee of 1d. for every ten pieces viewed and marked, which mark shall be by way of a seal impressed thereon.—Hall's "History of the Customs," v. I., p. 294.

Item John Creswicke did make a fray with blod upon Frauncis Norris, we doe amercy him for that vj s. viij d. and we doe amercy Frauncis Norris iij s. iiij d.

Item Thomas Revill did make a fray and drew blod upon John Holden, we do amercy him for yt vj s. viij d. and we doe amercy John Houlden iij s. iiij d.

Item we do fynd a payne laid by the last sembly quest that Thomas Scargell before the Tenth day of May last should have made one sufficient yate enteringe into the towne feild nigh unto the west barr, and also one parcell of a hedge adioyninge to the said yate in payne of xx s. The which yate and hedge we fynd not done accordinge to the payne xx s.

Item we doe amercy Heugh Roberts for forstallinge or buying of whitmeate in the feildes before it come into the towne or markett iij s. iiij d.

Item we doe amercy William Sponer and John Harrison for buying butter in the feilds, either of them iiij d.

Item we doe amercy Widdow Good for not scouringe her ditch that it may receive the water out of the blynd layne into one close now in the occupacion of Widdow Bright xij d.

Item we doe amercy Heugh Roberts for not scoweringe his ditch from the towne head well to the nether end of his intak xij d.

Item we amercy John Quicksawe for not rynginge of his swyne vj d.

Item Robert Haynes the younger for the like iiij d.

[Then follow three other persons fined iiij d. each "for the like."]

Item Widdow Twigge for a middinge or dunghill lyinge in the towne street. We do amercye her for yt vj d.

[22 other persons fined "for the like" 4d. each.]

Item Lorenc Bisby did make a fray with blod upon Robert Tayler of Stannington, we doe amercy Loranc Bisby vj s. viij d.

And we do amercy Robert Tayler for making a fray upon the said Bisbye iij s. iiij d.

Item we doe amercy Michael Hewood, Richard Hancock, William Barber, Grace Ashley, James Fyrth, Ellis Cooke, and Archbold Phillipot, for washing of clothes and other things at the Towne head well, contrary to a payne laid by the Jury euery one of them vj d.

AMERCYAMENTS.

first we do amercy William Broadhead for bearinge brawles out of Ryvelinge iiij d.

Also Widdow Broadhead for the like iiij d.

[Seventeen other persons fined 4d. each "for the like."]

Also we do amercy Thomas Webster for cuttinge downe greenewode xij d.

[Two others fined the same.]

Also we do amercy Robert Fenton for keepinge fower swyne unringed xvj d.

Also William Webster of Stanington for one swyne for the like iiij d.

[Three other persons fined "for the like."]

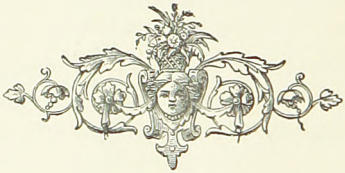
Also we do amercy Nicholas Lockey gent for makinge default[1] xij d.

[Nine others including Robert Waterhouse fined "for the like" 4d. each.]

Also we do amercy Rowland Langton for bakinge for his owne use and dyvers other from my Lordes oven[2] vj d.

[Eight others fined "for the like" vj d. each.]

Also we doe find that the wiff of Robert Waynewright and two of her sonnes did make a rescus upon Uxor Roodes de Sheffeld 20 Apl 1609 and we do amercy them for the same iij s. iiij d.



[1] That is for not attending the Court.

[2] The inhabitants were bound to grind at the Lord's mill, and bake at the Lord's oven.

EXTRACTS FROM 18TH CENTURY ACCOUNTS AND MINUTES.

[The following are extracts only, not a full transcript of the accounts.]

A booke of accounts of the Estate, stock, and revenues, belonging to the freeholders, Burgasses, or freetenants, of the town of Sheffield in the county of York begun in the yeare one thousand seven hundred and seven. In the time of Mr. John Fox Town Collector.

4th April 1707

Memorandum, that according to custome within the said towne, the time whereof the memory of man is not to the contrary, at a public meeting appointed for that purpose whereof public notice was gave by the Bellman, the said Mr. John Fox was choose Town Collector by the Freeholders then present, there being then present five and forty freeholders, to continue in the said office for one year according to the said custom.

And whereas alsoe according to immemorial custom within the said towne, there has ust to be a Townes Clerke for entring the towne's accounts and other affaires belonging to the said Towne, and the freeholders soe often as such place has become vacant by the death of the said townes Clerk, or misdeameanour in him, have ust to elect another person in the said place; the said place being now vacant by the death of Mr. John Styreing and noe other yet chose in his stead according to custome, now, there being this thirteenth day of May 1707 ninety freeholders present at a publick meeting at the Townes hall, the majority of the said freeholders have elected Mr. Thomas Wright into the said office of Townes clerke.

Memorandum, alsoe the said 13th of May Mr. Elias Wadsworth who last collected the rents of the Towne made his accounts, the freeholders aforesaid being then present, and the ballance remainding in his hands being thirty six pounds four shillings and five pence halfe penny, the same was paid by him into the hands of the present Collector Mr. John Fox, and alsoe one bond for £157 19s. 4d. due from Mr. Robert

Sorsbye, and a note of £1 1s. 6d. due from Sam Carr, both whereof are mentioned in Mr. Wadsworth accounts, were delivered to the said Mr. Fox.

Note. Mr. Wadsworth's accounts are entered in the old booke of the townes accounts.

This booke was bought by Mr. John Fox for the Townes use at 10s. 6d. as followes in his account.

Burgery of Sheffeild. The account of Mr. John Fox chosen Collector of the rents of the Town of Sheffeild the 4th day of April 1707 and continuing to the 7th day of October 1709 viz:—

The Charge. The accountant is charged with the ballance of Mr. Elias Wadsworth the last Collector's account being 36 li. 4s. 5½d. With arreares returned by Mr. Wadsworth viz: In Sheffield rental 10 li. 17s. 5d., but 10s. 4d. the arreares of Thomas Marshall was to be taken off soe charge the accountant with 10 li. 7s. 1d. The arrears of Hallam rents returned by him 5 li. 10s. od. with the like in Sam. Carr's hands 1 li. 1s. 6d. Alsoe charge the accountant with 2 yeres rents to wit a year's rent of Sheffield for pentercost and Martinmas 1706 as by the Rentall 49 li. 14s. 2d. Hallam yeare's Rentall 24 li. 11s. od. with the like for the yeare 1707 75 li. 5s. 2d. with half a yeares rent of Sam. Fearnally not cast up in the rentall 1s. od. Quere, Nathll. Meares rent with Interest of Mr. Sorsbye for one yeare 7 li. 18s. od. with more interest 4 li. 2s. 8d. 372 li. 14s. 4½d.

Discharge. 4° Aprill 1707 paid the Bellman and Beadle as is customary at the entring each 12d. 2s. 18° June paid John Warren for mending the Bucketts in the townes Hall as by rect 2s. 2d. 27° Augt. paid Joseph Taylor for worke about the town wells 10s. 2d. 9° Oct. 1707 paid Tho. Bishop for stones to the town wells as by rect 17s. 6d. 1st. Dec. 1707 paid George Offerton bringing stones to the wells and leading rubbish, clay, and sleck, as by rect 2 li. 2s. 8d. paid a labourer for his worke there 3s. 24th Augt. paid Mr. Wadsworth for Ribbons as by rect for the waites 7s. 3d. paid him for a coate for the Bellman as by rect 1 li. 9s. 1d. 28th Aprill paid Mrs. Pegg for meat and drink on a meeting of severall of the freeholders with Mr. Jessop, consulting the townes affairs, as by rect 11s. paid to her on the freeholders waiteing on his Honr. Wentworth on the publick account as by rect 2 li. 6s. Jany. 8th 1708 paid Mr. Wadsworth for the new coate for the Beadle and for ribbons &c as by rect 2 li. 8s. 9½d. Dec. 7th 1708 paid Willm. Gray

about the Hall as by rect 3s. 6d. paid Wilkinson and Truelove two bills as by rects 12. 9½d. paid Mrs. Pegg for wine to treat the Duke of Norfolke as by rect[1] 2 li. 3s. 8d. paid Mr. Simonds for a booke for the accounts[2] 10s. 6d. paid the Beadle 2 years and 1 qrs. wages 9 li. paid the waits for halfe a yeares waiges they being but two 1 li. total 24 li. 10s. 1d.

paid them being three for 1 year and 3 qrs. more 5 li. 5s. paid the scavenger for 2 yeares and 1 qrs. wages 1 li. 10s. paid the Bellman for public cryes 1s. paid Mr. Hawley and Ashmore 2 yeares rent for the workhouse as by rects 1 li. paid Joseph Ashmore 2 yeares dinners for the jury as by rects for 1707 and 1708 1 li. paid the overseers of the poore for 1707 and 1708 as by rects 12 li. Trin[ity term] 1708 paid for drawing a case to advice with Councell 3s. 4d. attending Mr. Jessop[3] severall times 3s. 4d. 6s. 8d. fair copy of the case as altered by Mr. Jessop 2s. 6d. attending Sir Peter King[4] upon it 3s. 4d. gave Sir Peter for his opinion 1 li. 1s. 6d. paid the tax for the Townes moneys for the yeares 1707, 1708, and 1709, each 30s. 4 li. 10s. paid Mr. Jolley and Mr. Wright, as by agreement and order of the freeholders, for looking through and scheduleing the townes writeings 2 li. paid Mrs. Stead for the Bellmans coate as by rect 1 li. 2s. 8d. paid Mr. Drake 2 yeares gratuity of the freeholders as by rect and order signed[5] 20 li. paid the

[1] Thomas, eighth Duke of Norfolk, born 11th December, 1683, died without issue at Norfolk House, 23rd December, 1732, buried at Arundel. He married Mary, daughter and heiress of Sir Nicholas Shirburn, of Stonyhurst, co. Lancaster, Bart.

[2] Nevill Simmons, of Sheffield, bookseller was probably brother of Thomas Simmons, the son of Nevill Simmons, of Kidderminster, the publisher of Richard Baxter's works. Nevill Simmons, of Sheffield, married Ruth, daughter of Thomas Bretland, on the 26th April, 1687. He was selling books by auction at the Rose and Crown, in Sheffield, in July, 1691; and also held book auctions in Leeds, as noted by Thoresby. His shop was probably in the Market place, near to his father-in-law's, Thomas Bretland. Ruth, wife of Nevill Simmons, was buried in the Parish Church, at Sheffield, 25th December, 1707, aged 41. Nevill Simmons died 17th July, 1735, and was also buried in the Parish Church. Timothy Jollie, the younger, married a daughter of Nevill Simmons.

[3] William Jessop, of Broomhall, eldest son and heir of Francis Jessop; baptised at Sheffield, 22nd Feb., 1665, died at Broomhall, 15th Nov., 1734; the last of the male line of this family, and grandfather of the Rev. James Wilkinson, afterwards vicar of Sheffield.

[4] Sir Peter King, born at Exeter, 1669, Recorder of London, 27th July. 1708, knighted September, 1708; Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, 14th November, 1714; Lord Chancellor, 1st June, 1725, and raised to the peerage as Baron King, of Oakham; died 22nd July, 1734.

[5] Nathan Drake, A.M., vicar of Sheffield from 1st October 1695, to his resignation, May, 1713. He came from Market Weighton, and left to take

Townes Clerke 2 yeares salary 6 li. money paid the Ringers by the accountant as followes On the 5th of Nov 1707 1 li. the like for 1708 1 li. 8th July 1708 5s. 19th Aug thankegiving day 10s. paid them on the first news of Lisle[1] 5s. on surrendering it 10s. on surrendering the Citadell 10s. 17th Feb. 1708 thanksgiving day 10s. paid them on the Queen's Coronacion and King's restoracion 2 yeares 1 li. on the news of taking Tournay[2] 10s. on the news of the battle near Mons[3] 5s. Total 6 li. 5s. paid Jon. Turner for drink of the Ringers on some extraordinary news ordered by the Townes men 5s. [Casual disbursements about the Townes Hall, the bridge, the wells and Church Gates.] paid Sarah Thomson cleaneing the well by the school 6d. paid Gregory for Cramps to the townes well as by bill and rect 2s. 2d. paid Joseph Taylor for worke at the wells and almshouses as by bill and rect 3 li. 15s. 2d. paid Ste. Truelove for worke done at the wells, almshouses, and Church gates as by rect 19s. 6d. paid Sam. Froggat and Willm. Gray for mending the almshouse windows as by rect 9s. 11d. paid Will. Carr for carrying rubbish out of the Towne streets 4s. paid for two Halberds for the watch 5s. paid for a spade for the Scavenger 1s. 4d. 68 li. 10s. 3d.

[Page 4.] paid for a sword for the watch and constable 5s. 6d. paid Truelove and Wilkinson for repaireing the Church gates as by rect 12s. 10d. paid Joseph Wilkinson more which he had laid down as by rect 7s. 2½d. more at other times for small bills 5s. 10d. paid Ste. Truelove another bill 4s. 2d. paid for leading 14 load of rubbish out of the streets 4s. 6d. paid William Bentley as by bill and rect about the Hall windowes 8s. 1d. paid him at another time as by bill and rect 16s. paid Joshua Matthewman for repaires about Barker poole as by rect 4s. 10d. paid Jose. Tayler about the Hall steps as by rect 4s. 8d. 16° April 1709 paid Carr and Eyre about paveing the bridge and pinfold as by

the rectory of Kirkby Overblows, where he died April, 1729. Mr. Drake published two sermons, one a very long one filling 30 pages small 4to. It is related that on one occasion in the Parish Church of Sheffield, when Mr. Drake, the vicar, was preaching, the Rev. Francis Jessop, rector of Treeton, levelled a loaded pistol at him, calling out "Duck or Drake, have at thee mollard." Mr. Drake stooped down in the pulpit, and Mr. Jessop was secured by his friends. In 1720 a commission in lunacy was issued against Francis Jessop, and he was found to be insane.

[1] Lille, in France; taken by the Allies 23rd Oct., 1708; the Citadel capitulated 7th December.

[2] Tournay, in Belgium, was taken by Marlborough and Eugene, 30th June, 1709.

[3] Mons, in Belgium, was besieged by Prince Eugene and the Duke of Marlborough, 25th September, 1709. It capitulated 20th October.

rect 1 li. 15s. paid Truelove, Gray, Bright, Taylor, and Machon, about makeing new Church gates as by bills and rects 5 li. 19s. 6½d. paid for Gravell Leading to Joseph Eyre 1s. 6d. paid for a pound of swines grease 5d. paid Mr. Wadsworth for musihoners and beadle as by rect 9s. 8d. paid 13 assessments and an halfe for Hallam land to the poore at 1s. 8d. a booke, as by rect 1 li. 2s. 6d. paid makeing 2 yeares cheife Rentall and Townes rentall 8s. paid 3 yeares cheife rent for Hallam land at 4s. 6d. for 1706, 1707, 1708, as by rects 13s. 6d. allowed Hugh Hides for the land tax for 1706 as by rect 18s. 5d. Drawing up and entring 2 yeares accounts 10s. 15 li. 17s. 10d.

[The castings of the pages.] 68 li. 10s. 3d.
24 li. 10s. 1d.
[Total] 108 li. 18s. 2d.

arreares of the rents for the years 1706 and 1707 returned by the accountant as by the rentalls appeares 25 li. 14s. 3d. [total] 134 li. 12s. 5d.; charge 372 li. 14s. 4½d.; discharge 134 li. 12s. 5d. [Balance] 238 li. 1s. 11½d.

The 7th Octob. 1709 the ballance being Two hundred thirty eight pounds one shilling and eleven pence halfpenny (errors excepted) was paid this day by the accountant to Mr Joseph Hawley the succeeding Collector.

[Signed by sixteen freeholders.]

[page 5.] The 7th day of October 1709 at a public meeting (of which notice was given by the Bellman) of the freeholders at the Townes hall, Mr Joseph Hawley unanimously was chose by the freeholders then present to succeed Mr John Fox as Town collector and to continue in the said office for one yeare.

[Signed by 36 freeholders.]

Memorandum, it was agreed, the freeholders before named being present, that all collectors at the end of their yeares give three dayes notice at the least, by the Bellman, of the day appointed for the passing their accounts as did the last Collector Mr John Fox.

[page 6.] 9th Oct 1713 Att a publick meeting of the freeholders, there being then 36 present, they did agree the Town Collector out of the Townes stock should pay the Collectors of the window money [1] for the last yeare the sume of eight

[1] The window tax was first imposed in 1696. After the Union of England and Scotland (1709) this tax was increased; and under date 25th Jan., 1710, we find Ralph Thoresby, the Leeds antiquary, entering in his diary: —"Was all day attending workmen making up windows to prevent the extremity of an unequal tax that would else equal me in payment with the

pounds and ten shillings or thereabouts being the deficiencyes of the window money for the last year, and did alsoe agree the deficiencyes of the window money for this present year should also be paid out of the Townes stock.

Att the same meeting Daniel Brearley was chose one of the waites of this Towne in the roome of John Greenwood deceased.

Att the same time William Turner was chose Beadle for the said Towne by the majority of freeholders present in the roome of Joseph Wilkinson deceased, and to continue for one yeare.

20th March 1713, att a public meeting of the freeholders in order to chose a Collector and six persons to him to be assistants, whereof publick notice was gave by the Bellman, and at which meeting were present 57 freeholders Mr William Taylor is chose Collector to continue in that office for one yeare; Mr Tho Parkin senr, Mr John Brown, Mr Ezra Calton, Mr Samuel Shore, Mr Xter Stacy, and Mr Jose Hawley are chosen to be assistants to the collector.[1]

and by all the freeholders present it is ordered and the Collector on the Wednesday before Whitson weeke after the end of the yeare doe make his accounts according to ancient usage.

and that the Collector, with the assistance of the six assistants or the major part of them, doe manage the affaires of the Towne without calling together the freeholders except upon extraordinary occasions; and in case the Collector shall dye in his yeare, the next and first named of the assistants shall be collector for the rest of the year.

[P. 7.] That at the end of the yeare a Collector shall be chose by the freeholders for the succeeding yeare out of his assistants if noe good objection be against him.

That upon the choice of a Collector at the end of every yeare out of the assistants a new assistant shall be chose by the freeholders out of their own number at a publick meeting.

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greatest noblemen." The tax for thirty windows or more was 20s. plus 10s., the old rate in England. The tax was much evaded by stopping up windows and opening them out again as soon as the assessor had made his assessment. The entry quoted above seems to show that the town was bound to make up a given fixed sum as in the case of the old fifteenths and tenths, and the Trustees paid the deficiency.

[1] The Burgesses are here seen, probably under bad advice from the new Town Clerk, departing from the Decree of Charitable Uses, and appointing seven trustees in place of thirteen,

That if any of the assistants dye or refuse to act, in such case at the end of the yeare when a Collector is chose, other assistants shall be chose to make up the number six.

and it is agreed that the collector and the assistants for the time being shall compell all officers to make their accounts in reasonable times after the end of their yeares, and that publick notice be gave by the Bellman of the time of passing these accounts soe that the inhabitants may have notice, and if the officers refuse in due time to pass their accounts they are to be prosecuted by the Collector at a publick charge.

The account of Mr. Joseph Hawley Collector for 4 years (to wit) for the years 1708, 1709, 1710, and 1711, and of his disbursements to this time made the 3rd day of April 1714.

He stands charged with arrears returned by Mr. John Fox £25 14s. 3d. and with other arrears of the tenants not then in Mr. Fox's Rentall £2 4s. 6d., making in all £27 18s. 9d. as appears by the rentall delivered to Mr. Hawley for the year 1708. But thereout of those arreares are to be deducted the arreares of 20s. on Mrs. Rebecca Silvesters, and the arreares of Jonathan Shore of £2 10s. which, the 2nd November 1709, att a publick meeting on examination were found to be mistakes and to be taken out of the arrears, which being deducted the arrears to stand charged on Mr. Hawley are 24 li. 8s. 9d.; with a years rentall for 1708 76 li. 8s. 8d.; with the like for the year 1709 76 li. 8s. 8d.; with the like for the year 1710 77 li. 5s. 4d.; with the like for 1711 76 li. 8s. 8d. He is likewise charged with the ballance of Mr. Fox's accounts made the 7° Oct. 1709 238 li. 1s. 11½d. 18th Feb. 1709 he Lett out 200 li. to Mr. Benj. Ashton on his own and his son's bond att 5 per cent. soe charged the accountant with one years Interest due 18th Febr. 1710 10 li. With the like due 18th Feb. 1711 10 li. With the like due 18th Febr. 1712 10 li.

599 li. 2s. 0½d.

The interest due 18th Febr. 1713 is unpaid.

[Page 8.] he is likewise charged with a note of Samuel Carr's 1 li. 1s. 6d. Note. The old arrears of Hugh Stephenson of £9 19s. 6d. returned by Mr. Fox, and 18 li. for 2 years rent for 1708 and 1709, Mr. Hawley, haveing returned all that in arrear, he must account for the goods he distrained and sold of Stephensons which were, for a horse 2 li. 10s., a cowe 2 li. 15s., for hay 1 li. 15s. Total 7 li. Note this 7 li. and the cottage gott of Stephenson's was all that could be gott of him, he being poor, and the rest will be lost 8 li. 1s. 6d.—

599 li. 2s. 0½d. 607 li. 3s. 6½d.

Mr. Hawley is creditor as by his disbursements the particulars whereof follow 351 li. 15s. 5¼d. By arrears not gathered as by the perticulars of the 4 years and of the arrears in Mr. Fox's time 52 li. 14s. 8d. To be allowed the money on Samuell Carr's note not paid him 1 li. 1s. 6d.—405 li. 11s 7¼d. he is debtor to ballance 201 li. 11s. 11¼d. 607 li. 3s. 6½d.

3rd Aprill 1714. Mr. Hawley to Mr. Taylor a bond of Mr. Ashton and his sonns for 200 li. made to himselfe, and he paid him one pound eleven shillings and eleven pence farthing. The accounts are discharged errors excepted.

Note. Mr. Hawley has received some few rents of the year 1712, but the rentall not being made out to him he is not charged with that years rent but it will be in charge to Mr. Tayler, and Mr. Hawley if he has received any rents of that year must pay them over to Mr. Tayler.

Att the signeing these accounts, it appearing by former accounts that 30s. had been usually allowed a collector for one year; It was agreed that by reason Mr. Hawley had gathered four years rents he should be allowed three pounds for the makeing a dinner, and that Mr. Tayler the new Collector doe pay Mr. Hawley that sume and place it in his accounts.

[Signed by 21 freeholders.]

[Page 9.] This disbursements by Mr. Hawley in particular are as follow: Oct. 15 1709 Gave to the bellman as usual 1s. To the ringers when Mons was taken 5s. 27 Oct. 1709 Thomas Allen for cramps att the town well in water lane as by rect 1s. 3d. Spent att Mr. Ashmore's on the markett officers 2s. 6d. To the bellman for three cryes 6d. To Mr. Wordsworth for Dowlers one of the waits cloaks that was pawned to him 1 li. To the Ringers on the 5th of November 10s. To them on the thanksgiving day 10s. Spent at Mr. Woods and in the markett place 1 li. 7s. 8d. A cart load of Coales for the bonefire 2s. 8d. Nov. 1709 Repaireing the fire Engine, paid Cellers, Truelove, and Froggatt, as by bill and rect 1 li. 9s. 6d. John Warring as by bill 3s. Job Cowley as by bill 11s. 4d. Dec. 1712 paid Froggatt, Truelove, and Cellers, repaireing the engine as by bill and rect 2 li. 5s. 6d. makeing a new pipe to lay by 2s. 6d.

4 li. 11s. 10d.

for playing the engine 2 severall times 4s. 9d. mending the Church gates 6d. 29° Sept 1709 paid Thomas Morton for lead to the church gates and Lady's bridge and glazeing under the town hall as by bill and rect 7s. 11d. paid John Hauldsworth for stone and flaggs to the town head well 9s. 6d.

15th Dec 1709. paid Joseph Tayler for work att the town head well as by rect, and for 5 load of lime 1 li. 13s. 6½d. 16° paid John Crooks for Carpenter work there 6s. 1d. as by rect, and 4d. for mending the raills 6s. 5d. paid for Stephensons bill of sale of some goods 2s. 20th paid William Bently for work att the towns hall in Mr. Fox's time as by bill and rect 10s. 6d. paid the poor at Xmas 1709 6 li. and also paid for the years 1710, 1711, 1712, and 1713, 6 li. a year 30 li. Ribbings for the waits att Xmas 7s. 3d. 4th Jan. 1709 paid Mr. Drake 10 li. and the like for ye years 1710, 1711, and 1712, each year 10 li. as by rects 40 li. 1° Feb. 1709 paid Joseph Tayler repairing the pond well as by rect 16s. 4d. 7th paid Joseph Eyre and William Spooner for leadeing stone, sand, and clay, to the Town head and pond wells as by rect 1 li 2s. 10d. 84 li. 13s. 11½d.

[Page 10.] 8° March 1709. paid Ringers on the Queen's proclemacon 5s. 1710, 5s. 1711, 1712, and 1713 each 6s. 1 li. 8s. on the Kings restauracon day 1710 5s., on that day 1711 5s., on 1712 and 1713 6s. 1 li. 2s. on the taking of Doway [1] 5s. for Hallam land to the poor for the year 1709, 1710, 1711, 1712, and 1713, 13s. 7¾d. To the Chappell constable and chiefe rent 7s. 8d. paid assessments and land tax for Hallam land, allowed Hugh Hides for land tax he paid for 1707 1 li. 1s. 6d. allowed him for 1708 and 1709 2 li. 3s. 7° April 1710 allowed him for 1710 1 li. 11s. 7d. eod allowed Belk for land tax 5s. 7d. 16° Oct. 1710, allowed him 5s. 8d. 10° Oct. 1711 allowed him 6s. 4½d. allowed Hugh Hides for 1711 12s. 9d. allowed Phillip Hawksworth for 1711 9s. 3d. allowed Belk more for the remainder of 1711 and for 1712 att 6s. 4½d. a time 19s. 1½d. 7 li. 14s. 10d.

paid Beadle 4 years and ½ wages at 4 li. a year the last quarter ending Christmas 1713 18 li. waits 4 years and ½ ending Christmas last 13 li. 10s. Scafinger 4 years and ½ ending Christmas last att 13s. 4d. a year 3 li. To Wilkinson for Coales, baskett, and beesoms, att the towns hall as by bill 1s. 3½d. 3 cryes to the bellman 6d. The Juryes dinners at Easter 1710, 1711, 1712 and 1713 att 10s. per ann. 2 li. 4° April 1710. paid Stephen Truelove for mending ye Church gates and Town head well as by rect 5s. 2d. ringers at forceing the French lines 5s. 20th April 1710 paid John Crooks for mending the house of office att the alms houses ut per receipt 6s. 6d. Leading rubbidge from the Carr sitck 3s. 8d. Ringers on the Queen's Coronacon 1710 6s., 1711,

[1] Douai, in France, was taken by Marlborough and Eugene, 26th June, 1710; retaken by the French, 8th September, 1712; confirmed to France by the Treaty of Utrecht, 1713.

1712, and 1713, each 5s., 1 li. 1s. Three cryes to the bellman 6d. paid John Tayler for setting stones att the west barr green well 2s. Spent att Rotherham sessions about John Union on suspition of stealing hay 6s. 6d. 25th July 1710. Joseph Tayler work done att Towns Hall and truelove gutter as by rect 2s. 11d. Truelove for cramps att hall stepps 3s. 1d. paid to the Land tax, for money att interest for 1710, 1711, and 1712 7 li. 4s. and for money att interest 1713 1 li. 4s. Roger Belk for keeping a cowe that was in Stephenson's bill of sale 3s. 59 li. 10s. 3¼d.

[Page 11.] paid for work at the Towns hall as follows for 1710. To John Crooks as by bill and rect 7s. 2d. To Jose. Tayler as by bill and rect 2 li. 5s. drinkings and other matters as by bill 12s. 3d. To Wm. Bentley as by bill and rect 2 li. 1s. 5d. To Tho. Heaton as by bill and rect 10s. To John Dyson as by bill and rect 1 li. 1s. 3½d. To Wilkinson as by bill for oyle &c 3s. 6d. To Tho. Morton as by bill and rect 9s. 7d. paid to Truelove 1s. 10d. more to Wm. Bentley as by bill and rect 1 li. 3s. 2d. more to John Crooks as by rect 4s. 7d. paid Stephen Allens wife cleaning 1s. lime 4s. a spade 2s. a cord for the candlestick 2s. 6d. red lead 4d. 9s. 10d.—9 li. 9s. 7½d.

Paid for work done att the Alms houses and Ladys bridge 1710. To Truelove as by bill and rect 4 li. 1s. 5d. To J. Tayler as by bill and rect 3 li. 8s. 3d. more to him as by bill and rect 16s. 8d. To Tho. Morton as by bill and rect 1 li. 15s. 10d. To Roebotham as by bill and rect 1 li. 14s. 9d. paid Simons a labourer 4s. 7 Load of lime 6s. 5d. 4 load of large stones 10s. J. Eyre for leading stones and sods 2s. drinkings 13s. getting sods 6d. a cord 4d. John Wilkinson a labourer 5s. coales and brick 1s. 2d. 2 stone of allam 9s. 4d. carriage of 3 large stones to sett on the Lady's bridge 5s. drinkings 2s. 8d. To Geo. Hawk for stone leading 4s. 6d. a stone stoop 2s. Bands and hinges and nails for the alms houses 2s. 4d. To J. Tayler for 156 yards of paveing 19s. 4d. To Joseph Eyre for 5 load of boulders 5s. 16 li. 9s. 6d.

Gave the Ringers on the news of taking Bethune[1] 5s. for dressing Flint well and getting away the rubbidge 1s. 10d. gave the ringers for the news of the battle in Spain 5s. To them on takeing St. Vincent and the arrival of King Charles att Madrid 5s. To the church burgesses for rent for the years 1709, 1710, 1711 and 1712 for the workhouse att 10s. a year 2 li. To the Ringers when Lord Downes and

[1] Bethune, in France, besieged and taken by Eugene and Marlborough, July and August, 1710.

Sir Arthur Key were chose [1] 5s. 10 July 1710. Work done att Lady bridge. To Truelove as by rect 5s. 8d. To Joseph Taylor 1s. 4d. To Thomas Morton as by rect 2s. 1d. 9s. 1d.
29 li. 10s.

[Page 12.] 3rd Oct. 1710 paid William Gray for making socketts to sett candles in and for woods att the Townshall as by bill and rect 11s. A load of lime for repairing Stephenson's house 10d. To the ringers when Air was taken 5s. To them on the thanksgiveing day 5s. Spent att Mrs. Woodson the thanksgiveing day with the Freeholders 2 li. 2s. 6d. Candles in the Towns hall that day 5s. Coales to make a bonefire 3s. 9d. Spent with Mr. Shireburne about Stephenson's buissness 1s. 6d. and at Ezra Calton's about the same 1s. 8d. 16° Nov 1710. Cloakes for the waits and the makeing as by bill and rect 11 li. 15s. 7d. 18° March 1710. paid Mr Wordsworth for a coat for the beadle and ribbings for the waits as by bill and rect 2 li. 3s. 6d. Coat makeing 4s. 6d. 12° Dec 1710. paid Mr Stear cloth for the bellman's coat as by rect 1 li. 1s. 4d. coat makeing 4s. 6d. 2 pound of candles att Sessions 10d. 6° Dec 1710. To John Knowle remainder of the mortgage money of Stephensons cottage 10s. To Mr. Shireburne[2] for booking 1s. Repairing the Cottage at Rand more bought of Stephenson. Jany ij 1710 for carrying wood and latts 9d. Henry Birley for thacking 5s. 10d. paid John Crooks for wood and work as by rect 12s. 8d. paid Chippingdale for morter, thack leading and work as by bill and rect 13s. 8d. more as by bill 6s. 7d. for a new doar and cheeks 5s. 5d. [total for repair of cottage] 2 li. 4s. 11d. paid land tax when Stephensons goods were distrained 6s. 4½d. Two load of coales to the hall 11d. a pound of grease to church gates and beesoms 7d. 2d Jany. 1710. paid Truelove for mending the Church gates as by bill and rect 12s. Bellman two cryes 4d. Two load of Coales to the hall 11d. for oileing the buckitts[3] 2s. 8d. paid for a seal for the freeholders[4] 1 li. 2s. a spade for

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[1] Henry, Viscount Downe, in the kingdom of Ireland, and Sir Arthur Kay, Bart., were elected members for the county of York, 18th October, 1710. They were re-elected 2nd September, 1713; 16th February, 1715, and 4th April, 1722. Sir John Kaye died 1727.

[2] Mr. Shirburn, an agent for the Duke of Norfolk's Sheffield estates, was a distant relation of Mary, wife of Thomas, eighth Duke of Norfolk. Mr. Shirburn and his wife are said to have been buried in the Shrewsbury vault at Sheffield.

[3] The buckets were made of leather.

[4] The making of this seal indicates some misapprehension of their position on the part of the Trustees. They were not a body corporate entitled to a common seal, yet they caused a seal to be made, and some leases were granted under it. The mistake was soon found out and set right, but the

the scafinger 1s. 2d. Joseph Eyre for leading 7 load of rubbidge from Church gate 2s. 4d. 24 li. 11s. 8½d.

[page 13.] Henry Broomhead for makeing a distresse on Gillots goods for rent 1s. 6d. Spent att Mrs. Peggs on a treat of my Lord Downs and Sir Arthur Key att the Cutlers feast as by rect 2 li. 2s. 6d. Repairing a little house in New street belonging to the Town 8s. 11d. 27th Dec 1711 Stephen Truelove for mending Church gates as by rect 4s. 2d. paid John Wilkinson for coals, beesoms, and bucketts, att the Towns hall as by perticulers 1s. 8½d. 4° Dec. paid Mr. Watson a coat for the beadle and trimming and ribbings for the waits as by rect 1 li. 9s. coat makeing 4s. 6d. 18° Sept. paid Joseph Tayler cleansing barker pool as by rect 11s. To Joshua Mathewman for work there as by bill 19s. 9d. paid Mr. Wright two years sallary ending May 1711 6 li. 4 Rentalls 16s. To Bridgehouses steppings as a free guift 1 li. Spent att a meeting at the Coffee house 4s. 6d. Ringers when Dunkirk was putt into our hands [1] 8s. Mr. Shireburne three halfe years rents for Hallam cottage due Lady day 1712 rect 1s. 6d. Ringers on the Thanksgiveing day 1713 6s.

Dec. 1710. paid towards makeing the Charity table [2] in the Church. for 10 load of lime 10s. 10 metts of hair 5s. Latts 1 li. nails as by rect 17s. 3d. John Roebotham wood and workmanshipp as by bill and rect 6 li. 1s. 6d. paid John Dison as by rect 1 li. 10s. for pitch, tarr, paper, naills, and charcoale, as by bill 2s. 8½d. 4 metts of coaks 1s. 4d. paid Bentley for sheet lead as by rect 15s. 3d. for charcoale to make fire on the scaffold and tenting 16s. expenses severall times with many considering the charityes to be entered on the table 8s. 6d. paid Mrs. Macheon on account of painting att severall times as by rect 25 li. [total for the table] 37 li. 7s. 6½d. 2nd July 1712. gave att Mr. Pearsons 3 li. 4s. 6d. expenses there and att Mrs. Peggs and to the Constable 2 li. 10s. 6d. 62 li. 3s. 7d.

[Page 14.] paid Mr. Wright's sallery due 1712 3 li. Spent att coffee house about windows 4s. 6d. 17 Oct. 1713 paid

seal remains, and is used when loyal addresses are voted and on other ceremonial occasions. It is worth noting that the seal was made for "the freeholders," and not for the trustees. The freeholders never seem to have lost sight of the fact that they, and not the trustees, were the landowners.

[1] Dunkirk was the port from which the Pretender sailed for the invasion of Scotland, 6th March, 1708. The place was given up to the English in 1711.

[2] The Charity table was a board set up in the church with the local charities painted thereon.

Mr. Stead to make up defficiencyes of the windows as by rect 7 li. 2s. gave Mr. Cowley for writeing a letter to the parliament about windows 2s. 6d. Spent in treating the Duke of Norfolk—att Mr. Grayham's 3s. 6d. att Mr. Pearson's 4s. 6d. paid Mrs. Pegg 2 li. 18s. 6d. 12 lemmons 6s. To Mr. Gascoigne sweet meats and sugar 15s. 10d. [total] 4 li. 8s. 4d. 28° August 1712. Spent att Mrs. Woods, att Mrs. Peggs, and att Ezra Caltons, att the meeting about Incroachments 11s. 6d. Treating Mr. Jessop att Mrs. Peggs 1 li. 5s. Charges about addressing the Queen 15s. 8° Nov 1712. paid William Bentley 2 years sallery att Michaelmas 1712 5s. and mending the hall windows as by rect 1s. 6d. gave the workmen quenching the fire att Peter Simons 3 li. 13 Dec. 1712. att John Twibells as by particulers 1 li. 6s. 6d. J. Shore for mossing the almshouses 10s. 6d. 30th Dec. 1712. paid Mr. Wordsworth for ribbon for the waits and beadle as by rect 19s. 4d. spent att Mrs. Woods with Mr. Balguy about the highways 4s. 6d. 3 cryes to the belman 6d. 29th Nov. 1712. paid John Warring for mending bucketts as by bill and rect 1 li. 6s. 10° Feb. 1712. Cornelias Dale for leather for bucketts 1 li. 1s. 6d. 2 load of coales and 2 pound of candles 1s. 1d. 1712 spent att Mrs. Woods on the Queen's birthday 1 li. 1s. To the ringers then 7s. 6d. on her birthday 1713 6s. 7° April 1713. paid Joseph Tayler repaireing townes hall roof as by bill and rect 19s. 6d. 15th April 1713. paid Stephen Truelove for work done att the towns hall and Church gates 14s. 6d. Ringers when the peace[1] was signed 6s.

29 li. 19s. 9d.

[Page 15.] Expenses when the peace was proclaimed as by perticulers.

Gave att the Towns hall bonefire 2 li. 10s. Irish crosse 2 li. 10s. market place 10s. milk maids 1 li. ringers 1 li. To the Towns waits 15s. To Shepheard and his men 10s. To Rotherham drummer 2s. 6d. Trumpeters 1 li. John Moor a drummer 2s. Setting up and takeing down the flaggs 1s. 6d. The constable 10s. To John Morton for ale, pipes, and potts 10s. To Mr. Christ. Broomhead pipes and tobac 9d. To William Oxley candles, pipes, and tobacco 10s. 9d. Mrs. Wood for ale 8s. 2 cart Load of Coales 5s. 23d June 1713. To Mr. Macheon and Hall for lent[2] of the Streamers as by rect 3 li. To Jon. Turner for ale 5s. 6d. To William Thorp for ale 8s. [total for peace rejoicings] 15 li. 19s.

5° Oct. 1712. Gave the singers towards treating them 10s. 11° Oct. paid Hanna Downes charges of repairing

[1] The peace of Utrecht.

[2] Lent: a loan.—*Halliwell.*

Church lane well as by rect 8s. 4d. Two load of coals to the town hall 11d. Three load of Lime there 2s. 11d. a Base violl and charges as by bill 2 li. 15s. Charges att that horse race to gett horses[1] 1 li. 3s. 6d.

A bill of charges of my Lord Archbishop of York's treat 12th and 13th May 1711

Halfe a load of white wheat 7s. 26 gallons of ale and carryage up from the Coffee house 1 li. 15s. 6d. a pair of ribbs and a rump of beef 61 pounds at 3d. per pound 15s. 3d. 4 tongues and 3 pound of suet 5s. 3d. 11 Chickens 3s. 2½d. paid Eliz. Newbold for 6 chickens, 3 pecks of meal, a peck of malt to feed them, and the geese, for other things as by bill and rect 13s. 6½d. 6 geese 3s. 6d. 11 pound of salmon 3 lobsters and 2 crabs 1 li. paid a messinger for bringing sparagrasse from Doncaster 1s. To Mr. Hall for coffee, tea, lemons, and oranges, as by bill and rect 17s. 6d. To James Crawshaw for sparagrasse 2s. 5d. To Mrs. Drake for a sack of malt, butter, cream, 2 piggs, backing bread, a chair woman, &c, as by bill and rect 1 li. 19s. 2d. beef for gravy, and veal, mutton, and lamb 1 li. 2s. 5d. 4 pound and ½ of trouts 1s. 6d. a pike, ½ a dozen of pidgeons, and messinger 6s. to Mr. Gascoigne as by bill 18s. 8d. Mr. Ashmore horses, servants, etcetera, as by bill 7 li. 17s. 6d. Atkynson for attendance and horses 5s. a load of coales to viccaridge 2s. 10d. Samuel Silcock for a guide 4s. Mrs. Pegg for wine 12s. 6d. [total for entertaining the archbishop] 19 li. 13s. 9d.

Spent at a meeting to give an answer to the Derbyshire proposall about highways 4s. 8d. Dec. 1712. Charges of making a place in the Mill Sands to take water: paid John Green as by rect 13s. 7d. John Palin 17s. 7d. Joshua Bridge as by rect 18s. 6d. Roberts and Cellers 8s. 2 load of flaggs 6s. [total] 2 li. 13s. 8d. paid the Town Clerk 1713 3 li. guilding beadle staff 2s. 6d. Stephen Truelove 2 cramps and a doar band to the almshouses and ladys bridge as by rect 1s. 4d. 9° Dec. 1713. Wm Bently one years sallery mending the hall windows due Michaelmas last 2s. 6d. paid Mr. Wright charges about the hospitall and Mr. Lows oppinion 3 li. 4s. 6d. spent att Mrs. Woods att a meeting about the hospitall 13s. 2d. gave att the Duke of Norfolks to servants 5s. 6d. more charges att Wakefield and Pontefract by Mr. Wright about the hospitall writeings 15s. paid playing the Engine

[1] The Sheffield Local Register, under date June, 1781, says, "The races this year were the last of the Sheffield races; the course was held on Crookes moor, and the house now (1829) occupied by Mr. Middleton was the grand stand." The house is now (1897) the residence of Mr. William St. Quentin Leng.

at Christmas 1713 2s. 6d. Joseph Eyre leading 3 load of rubbidge 1s. 11° Novr. 1713. paid Mr. Bromhead for coats and trimming for beadle and bellman as by bills and rects 2 li. 3s. 7d. makeing them 9s. 5° April 1713 wine to treat Mr. Jessop 2 li. 11s. 19° Jany. 1713. paid 4 books to Hallam poor 2s. 5½d. 3 cryes to the bellman 6d. 20° March 1713. Spent at Mrs. Woods when Mr. Taylor was chose collector 7s. 6d. 27° March 1714. paid Truelove for work at the Irish crosse as by bill and rect 7s. 6d. To Luke Ratcliffe on the same To Mr. Heskethon the same; paid the Juryes dinners att Easter 1714 10s. 31 March 1714. paid Mr. Stear as by bill and rect for ribbons for the waits 2 years 1 li. 6s. 10d. 1° April 1714. paid Mr. Parkin for tarr, pitch, &c about the bucketts as by bill and rect 8s. paid drawing and entering 4 years accounts 1 li. [Total] 351 li. 15s. 5¼d.

[Page 17.] arrears of the rentall Mr. Fox left ungathered and others of Mr. Hawley for the years 1708, 1709, 1710, 1711. old arrears left by Mr. Fox 18 li. os. 2d. 1708 9 li. 16s. 4d. 1709 11 li. 13s. 4d. 1710 3 li. 16s. 4d. 1711 9 li. 8s. 6d. Totall arrears returned by Mr. Hawley 52 li. 14s. 8d.

[Here follow the names of 33 Tenants in arrear.]

[Page 18.] 28th April 1716. at a meeting of the freeholders in the Towns hall, whereof notice was gave by the bellman three days before, in order to elect a collector in the room of Mr. Tayler, at which meeting above 90 freeholders were present, Mr. Ezra Calton was chose collector and Mr. Cornelius Dale was chose an assistant in the roome of Mr. Ezra Calton to be added to Mr. Thomas Parkin sen, Mr. John Brown, Mr. Sam. Shore, Mr. Xter Stacy, and Mr. Joseph Hawley, and because there will be two years rent to collect it is agreed the said collector shall continue for two years; but the collector shall at the one years end produce the accounts of that yeare and at the end of two years they shall be ballanced and a new collector chose. This is not to be a precedent to continue a collector more than one year for the future. [Signed by seven freeholders.]

[Page 19.] The account of Mr. William Taylor collector for 3 years (to wit) the years 1712, 1713, and 1714, and of his disbursements to this time made the 28th day of Aprill 1716. [Total charge 517 li. 10s. 11¼d: the years rents for 1712 and 1713 being 77 li. os. 4d. Discharge 277 li. 4s. 9¾d. including 3 li. allowed him for a dinner.] [Among the particulars of discharge may be noted the following] paid Mr. Hawley for his feast 3 li. 12° April paid at Mrs. Peggs treating Mr. Drake [the Vicar] 18s. Spent goeing about regulateing the Poor tax at severall times as follows. [dates mentioned

amounting to 2 li. 12s. 2d.] paid Mr. Broadhead and his partner window defficiencyes as per receipt 6 li. 23rd paid the Ringers on St. George day 5s. allowed Mr. Wright making books, and his clerk attending us all the days of viewing and regulateing the poor tax 2 li. 27 April paid Josa. Fox and partners about the windows per Towns order 10s. paid the Towns clerk sallary 3 li. May 6. Spent with Justice Bradshaw, Westby &c. treating 9s. 6d. paid the belman as usuall 1s. Spent at an assessment sitting 1s. 9d. paid William Bentley for 2 candle sticks 2s. 6d. June 3. Spent treating Justice Westby[1] and Boseville[2] 9s. 9 paid Mr. Robinson for wine when Lord Carmarthen[3] was here ut per rect 3 li. 5s. paid Ringers for 29 May 6s. 25 Spent at a meeting when Mr. Fox's porch was pulled down 4s. 6d. 2 loads of coals to the Towns hall 11d. paid for the stoops mending at the Bridge 2d. 20 Aug. paid Mr. Waterhouse[4] pleading at Rotherham Sessions about Greaves settlement 10s. Nov 16. paid Samuel Thompson and Robert Atkin for the windows on account of the 30 houses ut per receipt 3 li. 8s. ribbons for beadle and waites 8s. 4d. Nov 18. paid Ralph Shore for repairing Snydalls house in the New street as per bill and rect 7s. 8d. 19 Nov. paid Jo. Hibberd mending the West barr well 2s. 6d. 22d. paid the Churchwardens for the poor ut per receipt 6 li. paid R. Shore for mending Bridge at Trueloves gutter 1s. 2d. paid Edward Haslem mending the Beadle's coat 1s. 6d.

[Page 21.] Nov 20. paid the ringers on the Thanksgiveing day 10s. 16° Feb. Spent at Ezra Caltons about chusing a 3rd man to pay the poor 5s. 1° Mar. paid for stoops mending at the bridge 3d. 3rd. paid at Ezra Calton's at a meeting about a 3rd. man for the poor 3s. 4 Spent when Wm Birks was chose 4s. 6d. paid Samuel Froggatt mending the engine 2s. 25 Mar 1715. spent at Towns hall about certificates 2s. paid Ezra Calton for diverse expences in my absence ut per bill and rect 1 li. 11s. paid the waites in Lieu of Cloaks 1 li. 5s. paid the Jury at Easter Court as usuall 10s. paid Wm Turner for Coales had at Towns hall 1s. paid Jo. Eyre

[1] Thomas Westby, of Ravenfield, elected for East Retford, 1710, but unseated. Died 1747.

[2] William Bosville, of Gunthwaite, died 6th June, 1724, aged 41. Buried at Penistone.

[3] Peregine Osborn, Marquis of Carmarthen, succeeded his father as second Duke of Leeds, 26th July, 1712. Macky describes him as "of low stature, but very well shaped and strong made, though thin; fair complexioned."

[4] Henry Waterhouse, of Sheffield, attorney, a younger son of the Waterhouses of Swinnock Hall. Died 21st June, 1719, aged 60.

for carrying rubbish away 3s. 4d. paid Samuel Wright Coals had in Mr Hawley's time 9s. 9d. Expences this last year about repairs of Lady Bridge, Church gates, Barker pool, West barr wells, &c. [Sundry items amounting to] 17 li. 10s. 9d.

Expences at proclamation and Coronation of the King.[1] paid Mr Turner for ale 10s. John Trippett for ale 10s. paid the Waites 10s. S. Elliott for ale 10s. John Morton for ale 10s. Mrs. Pegg for wine 3 li. 3s. Ringers at Kings arrivall 5s. Coales for do. 3s. 2d. Mr. Macheon for Standard ut per rect 2 li. 5s. H. Renshaw for benches at procession 3s. 5d. paid Ringers at Coronation 10s. paid G. Cartwright drink at Coronation 10s. Makeing bonefires 5d. Xtopher Stacye candles ut per rect 7s. 5½d. Benjamin Parker ale ut per rect 10s. John Milner ale at Coronation ut per rect 10s. Spent at Mrs. Peggs and Mr. Robinsons consulting for proclamation 7s. 6d. To the Drummers 4s. 6d. Ringers 7s. 6d. Coals at ..... (?) 10s. 12 li. 6s. 11½d.

[Page 22.] paid 3 years rentalls 15s. paid Mr. Wright his sallery 3 li. May 21. paid the window officers 3 li. 5s. spent in publick on the Kings birthday 9s. 6d. for 3 loads of coales and fire makeing 10s. ringers that day 5s. for 29 May 5s. paid for a stoop setting at the Bridge 3d. 30. Spent at a meeting about windows 5s. Charges [about] the Laith at Hallam belonging to Hydes: paid Adam Ashton his bill ut per rect 2 li. 18s. paid Samuel North and Warrington ut per bill and rect 4 li. 16s. 6d. 2 Hoggsheads thither 2s. 8d. Heck staves 1s. 6d. paid rearing 5s. July. Spent an assessment makeing and other Towns buissnesse 3s. paid Engine playing 1s. 4 July. paid at Ezra Calton at a meeting ut per rect 4s. 6d. Att Samuel Thompsons about assessments 4s. paid treating viccar Drake when over 14s. 23d. paid Robert Carr for paveing and labourer at Dunn hill 5s. 9d. paid Edward Haslam making the Beadles coat 4s. Charges Engine house makeing [sundry payments amounting to] 22 li. 12s. 9d. 3d July. paid Adam Ashton repairing Belks house ut per bill and receipt 1 li. 5s. 7d. To Nath. Morton ut per bill and receipt 2 li. 7s. 8d. Charges repairing Irish crosse [Sundry items amounting to 1 li. 14s. 7d. the last of them, mending the weather cock] 2s. 5 July 1715. paid S. Thompson and Robert Atkin for extraordinary pains goeing about the window businesse ut per rect per Towns order 14s. 3d. paid Mr. Bromheads bill for cloak for Beadle ut per bill and rect 1 li. 13s. 1½d. paid Stephen Allen filling engine with water when played 1s. 5° Oct. paid Greenwood's widow per Towns orders 10s.

[1] George I. was crowned at Westminster, 31st October, 1714.

[Page 23.] Work done at Almshouses, Towns hall &c. paid Carr for paveing 60 yards at Towns hall 7s. 6d. [other items] 1 li. 0s. 10d.—1 li. 8s. 4d. November. paid S. Ridge for stone to the Bridge at Sheer moor ut per bill and rect 6s. paid Ringers on Coronation day 6s. Coales and fire makeing 6s. 6d. paid for engine playing 2s. 6d. at Ezra Caltons spent afterwards 3s. Taxes chief rents and assessments paid for the Town. paid chief rent for Nether Hallam ut per rect for the year 1710 2 li. 15s. 2½d. To William Bacon for 1711 ut per rect 2 li. 15s. 2½d. To William Reyny for 1712 2 li. 15s. 2½d. To Jos. Rose for 1713 2 li. 15s. 2½d. To William Reyny for 1714 2 li. 15s. 2½d. also paid Land tax ut per rect 12s. 9d. paid Hallam tax to Eyre 2s. 3¼d. paid Martha Sheldon Chiefe for Hydes land for 1711 ut per rect to Upper Hallam 4s. 6d. for 1714 4s. 6d. also Belk land tax for 1713 ut per rect 6s. 4½d. for 1714 6s. 4½d.—15 li. 12s. 9¾d. 23rd Dec. paid the officers for the poor ut per rect 5 li. and gave them as usual 20s.—6 li. paid Jonas Crookes makeing Bellman's Coate 3s. 6d. 10. paid Xtopher Stacy for candles ut per rect 4s. 2d. paid Mr Bromhead's bill for Bellman's Coate ut per bill and rect 1 li. 4s. 3d. paid Ringers for the news from Preston [1] at twice 8s. 6d. Charges of the Lances paid for the heads and putting on ut per bill and rect 2 li. 10s. paid G. Nowe for Deal for the handles and his work ut per bill and rect 2 li. 2s. 3d.—4 li. 12s. 3d. 8° Nov. Spent at John Morton's about the people that went to Leeds 6s. at Ezra Caltons at a meeting 3s. 11° Feb. paid the Ringers when the Rebells fled from Aberdeen 7s. 6d. Belman 3 cryes 6d. Candles and ale at Town hall on news of the Pretender gone 3s. paid Mr. Wilburne in lieu of a Cloak 10s. paid Mr. Trevis chains and badges for the waits in lieu of Ribbons 3 li. 19s. 9d. paid Mr. Symons parchment per association 1s. 2d. Drawing and entering the account 3 years 15s. paid the waits wages at 3 li. ann 2 years and 1 quarter from Martinmas 1713 to Lady day 1716 6 li. 15s. paid Beadle the same at 4 li. per ann. 9 li. Scavinger the same at 13s. 4d. per annum 1 li. 10s. paid 2 years land tax for Towns stock viz. for 1714 and 1715 2 li. 8s. paid Mrs. Pegg bill for wine had in Nov. last when the Justices were here at the Sessions swearing &c., and afterwards in Nov. severall times about the news from Preston, goeing to Leeds, &c., as per perticulers in her bill 4 li. 1s. 8d.

[1] The Pretender, James Stuart, known as "The Chevalier of St. George," met the Highland clans "on the braes of Mar," September, 1715. In November the indecisive battle of Sheriffmuir was fought, and on the 12th, 13th November the Highland army was defeated and surrendered at Preston. The Pretender made his escape to France early in 1716.

[Page 24.] paid Ri. Ashmore his bill for coals had in Mr. Hawleys time and his own not charged before ut per bill 18s. 6d. paid the Church Burgesses rent for the workhouse for the years 1713, 1714, 1715, at xs. per ann ut per rect 1 li. 10s. allowed John Hough for prosecuton of Ri. Hill per Towns order 7s. 9 Mar. Spent at Towns hall 1s. 31. paid St. Truelove his bill 1s. paid S. Hawksworth chiefe for Hydes farme for the years 1712, 1713 9s. 4 April. paid Jury Easter Court as usuall 10s. paid Mr. J. Nutt for a table in Towns hall 2s. 3d. Jose Eyre for leading rubbish away 6s. 8d. 30 April. paid the Ringers on the good news from Scotland 5s. paid R. Shirtleys bill for candles to Illuminate the hall 2s. 5½d. paid Wm. Turner, the Beadle, Lady day quarter 1 li. paid him for Coales had to the hall 1s. 3d. paid Joshua Brooke for Barker poole 4s. 10½d. paid Thos. Rhodes work and stone at Sheer moor bridge 1 li. 6s. 8d. paid John Ronksley chiefe for Hydes farme 4s. 6d. paid Mrs. Wood drink had in Mr. Hawleys time 6s. 8d. For ale att first time playing the Engine 5s. 6d. paid John Milner for work done at Irish Cross 6s. 5d. paid Robert Salmon for coale 7s. paid Ralph Shore work done at Almes houses 14s. 7d. paid Mr. John Machon for the remainder of the Charity Table in the Church as per bill 16 li. 5s. 10d.

28th May 1718. At a meeting of the freeholders in the Towns hall whereof notice was gave by the Bellman 3 days before, in order to elect a Collector in the room of Mr Calton, at which meeting above [blank] freeholders were present, Mr. Samuel Shore was chose Collector, nemine contradicente, and Mr. William Taylor was likewise chose, nemine contradicente, an assistant in the room of Mr. Samuel Shore, to be added to Mr. Thomas Parkin, Mr. John Brown, Mr. Joseph Hawley, Mr. Xter Stacye, and Mr. Cornelius Dale. The Collector only to continue for two years but to gather three years rent. At the same time six pounds per annum was agreed by a majority of the freeholders to be paid to the governor of the Charity School for the next two years. This was agreed to on the application and desire of Mr. Turye [1] in behalfe of the said Charity.

[Page 25.] The account of Mr. Ezra Calton [written Cawton], Collector of the Town of Sheffield for 2 years (viz., 1715 and 1716) and of his disbursements to this time made 28th May 1718.

[Total charge 4[illegible]8 li. 8s. 2½d. The rental of 1715 and 1716 were each 78 li. 1s. 8d.]

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[1] Robert Turie, one of the assistant ministers at the Parish Church.

[Discharge 181 li. 15s. 9½d., including 3 li. allowed for a dinner.]

The Wednesday before Whit Sunday according to custom these accounts were seen and examined and allowed (errors excepted), and the ballance, viz., 266 li. 12s. 5d., is to be paid by Mr. Calton to Mr. Shore, the next Collector, and then the account is discharged.

[Signed by 21 freeholders.]

[Page 26.] perticulers of Mr. Calton's Disbursements 15° May 1716. To the Bellman as usuall 1s. spent at the same time at a meeting with the Church and schoole Burgesses about Mr. Birley's[1] money 2s. 6d. 23rd. Spent Letting the hall 3 days a week to Mr. Bryerley 1s. 25th. a spade and rake for the scavinger 1s. 6d. 26. paid Mr. Trevise for Beadle chains ut per rect 1li. 4s. 4d. 28. paid William Bentley for mending the Towns hall windows in Mr. Tayler's time 3s. 1d. 28 May. To the Ringers 6s. 29 May. To them on that day being the Kings Restaurtion and also at bonefire 6s. 8d. Expences the thanksgiving day 7th June 1716 [sundry items amounting to 3 li. 15s. 7d. including "From Mr. Parkins 2 lb Tobacco and 1 groce of pipes"]. 27 June Spent at a meeting about Samuel Wrights milners widow 8d. 2° Aug 1716. To the Ringers, being the Kings accession 6s. Spent at Mrs. Peggs 16s. ale to the musitioners and at the fire 6s. Aug. 31. paid Edward Haslem 3 cloaks making and edgeing 4 hatts 17s. Sept 1 1716. paid Mr. Wordsworth for the cloaks for the waites and hatts ut per bill and rect 16 li. 5° For two dozen bottles of wine and other charges to treat

[1] William Birley, of Throgmorton street, London, by his will, dated 10th June, 1715, left to the Town of Sheffield £900 to purchase an annual rent or income for the following uses:—the income of £300 for encouraging writing and arithmetic to be taught at the Free School; the income of £300 towards the support of a minister to perform divine service in the chapel of the Hospital or in any other place that shall be regularly appointed for that use; and the income of the other £300 to old and indigent Tradesmen or their widows. The testator left the disposing of his legacy to the Church Burgesses, the School, and Town Burgesses. After leaving some personal legacies the will proceeds: "All the rest of my estate I give to Sarah, the daughter of Jos. and Sarah Twibell, late of Woodseats, and now the wife of John Wright, of Tickhill, in the County of York, cooper, except my real estate near Niepsend, which I give to her for life only, and after I will the same to the Town of Sheffield for the uses aforesaid." The executors of the will were Sarah Wright, Daniel Phillips, M.D., and William Parkin. The sum of £900 was laid out in the purchase of land at Nether Ashop, and this, together with the property at Neepsend, now forms the estate of the Birley trustees. The income is divided into three parts, one part going to the Grammar School, one part to the Chaplain of the Shrewsbury Hospital, and one part is distributed in doles at Christmas to old and indigent tradesmen or their widows.

Esquire Jessop at Broomhall 1 li. 17s. 8d. 8. At a meeting about Mr. Birleys money 2s. 8d. 10 Sept. At Towns hall spent at a meeting 18d. and at Mrs. Peggs 3s.—4s. 6d. paid frameing an order of Sessions 3d. Spent at a meeting about James Middletons child 2s. 8d. Oct. 20°. Spent at a meeting with Mr. Shore and N. Broadbent 1s. To the ringers at Mrs. Peggs 6s. To the waites and spent at Mrs. Peggs 14s. 6d.

[Page 27.] Oct 30. To Mr. John Fell for the workhouse for the year 1714 as by bill and rect 10s. Spent at a meeting about the Milners widow 3s. 6d. November 5°. for ale 11s. 6d. Spent at Mr. Robinsons 9s. 27. To Mr. Shireburn[1] for 9½ years rent for a cottage, late Hugh Stevensons, due Michaelmas 1716 as by rect 4s. 6d. 11° Dec. 1717. To David Hirst for Charcoale for the Churches use delivered in Mr. Tayler's time 4s. ale 2d. 21. To the Churchwardens and overseers 5 li. To Wm. Birks more 1 li. paid John Eyre for leading 18 loads of rubbish away from the Scavenger 6s. paid the Scavenger Sweeping the Chimney 3d. 21° Jan. Spent at Mrs. Peggs 9s.; To the Ringers 6s.—15s. ale at bonefire 1s. candles 6d. 6 Feb. paid Mr. Shireburne 2 years rent for Barns cottage due Michaelmas last 8d. 13°. To Joshua Bridges for coales for the Bonefires ut per bill and rect 19s. 6d. 25. Spent with the overseers of the Highways 1s. 1d. paid Mr. Wright charges in the ejectment about Hobsons house ads Ducis Norfolk 2 li. 5s. 6d. paid him his Sallery for 1716 3 li. oyle, water, coals, &c., for the Engine 1s. 6d. To the cryer 2d. 18. paid the musitioners mending Base viole 3s. paid the Jury Easter Court dinner 10s. 28 May. To the Ringers 6s. Spent at Mrs. Peggs 12s. 29. more 12s. 6d. To the Ringers Restauration day 6s. 18. To Adam Ashton for takeing care of the wood and slate and takeing 1 bay down at Belks house 4s. 8d. 1717. Spent with Mr. Ashton's man 4d. A rake for the scavinger 6d. 5° March 1717. Spent at a meeting on buying of Richard Sandersons house 4s. paid John Roebotham a bill for the said [house] in Blind lane bought of Sanderson 15s. Spent at a meeting about them 1s. 6d. paid Town Clerks Sallery 3 li. for writeings about Sandersons house 1 li. 4s. 8d. 2 years rentalls 10s. DS (?) 2 years accounts 10s.

[Page 28.] March 31. paid Wid. Cooper for a lock and nails to the house in Blind lane 2s. 5½d. 2d Aprill 1718. Coal, oyle, and candles 1s. 6d. 9. Spent at a meeting about Birleys money 4s. 2d. 11. a pair of bands and hooks to the house in Blind lane 10d. paid Mr. Wordsworth for Beadles coat as per bill 1 li. 4s. 6d. April 14. paid John Eyre lead-

[1] Agent to the Duke of Norfolk.

ing 22 load of rubbish from Water lane and other places 7s. 4d. 16. To the Jury Easter Court dinner 10s. spent at chooseing new collectors for the poor 2s. 2d. 23d. paid Jonas Crooks makeing the Beadles coat 4s. 30. To Thomas Morton for repairing William Turners house 2s. 4d. paid Mr. Shore one of the overseers of the highways for stones and workmen and wages for building two bridges at Sheer more ut per rect 1 li. 1s. paid land tax for the Town's stock these two years [in items; total] 4 li. 4s. [Chief rents and land tax amounting to 11 li. 2s. 1d.] Work done at Towns hall, Church gates, Barker poole, Towns wells, Lady's bridge, almshouses, Irish cross, &c. these two years 1716 and 1717 [sundry items amounting to 14 li.] paid Nicholas Sanderson for the purchase of the house in Blind lane bought of him by the Town ut per his rect 40 li. paid Town Clerk sallery due May 1718 3 li. paid Gim. Swift cryeing the meeting 2d. a raile at the Isle bridge 1s. 2d. expences on prepareing these accounts 1s. 6d.

[Page 30.] 1st June 1720. At a generall meeting whereof notice was gave by the Bellman to chose a Collector in the room of Mr. Samuel Shore when about 110 freeholders were present; Mr. John Brown, nemine contradicente, was chose collector to succeed Mr. Shore to continue for two years and gather two years rents. And at the same time in the room of Mr. Shore, Mr. Taylor deceased, and Mr. Christopher Stacye who resigned, the said Mr. Shore, Mr. Ezra Calton, and Mr. Samuel Staniforth were chose assistants to supply those 3 places, by this majority (viz) Mr. Shore had 73 votes, Mr. Staniforth 68, Mr. Calton 78 votes, and Mr. Eaton had 36 votes, Mr. Steer 28 votes and Mr. Downes 31 votes.

24th May 1721. At a publick meeting whereof publick notice was gave by the Bellman, to choose an assistant instead of Mr. Ezra Calton deceased, at which meeting 56 freeholders were present, Mr. Benjamin Pearson was proposed and chosen, nemine contradicente.

[Page 31.] The account of Mr. Samuel Shore Collector for the Town of Sheffield for the years 1718 and 1719 made this first day of June 1720.

[Charge 543 li. 9s. 11d. including among other items the following: with interrest of a sume of 210 li. which was in Mr. Wordsworths hands from 1° March 1717 to 23d Sept. 1719 at 5 cent 16 li. 7s. 1d. with interest of 20 li. lett out to George Hawk and when he had noe further occasion for it he paid it in 6s. 11d.

Discharge 220 li. 16s. 4d.; charge 543 li. 9s. 11d.; discharge 220 li. 16s. 4d.; 322 li. 13s. 7d. balance.]

1° June 1720. At a publick meeting at the Towns hall whereof notice was gave by the bellman, This account was seen, examined and allowed (errors excepted), and the ballance being 322 li. 13s. 7d. was paid by the accountant to his successor, Mr. John Brown, and he is discharged.

T. W. [Thomas Wright.]

[Page 32.] Particulars of Mr Shores disbursements [inter alia]. 29 May. paid treating Colonell Molesworth [1] 12s. paid for wine at Mr. Robinsons in celebrating the restoraton 9s. 8d. June 12. Spent with the window surveyor 2s. 6d. Aug 16. paid Edward Marshall for repairing Bowers spring well in Colston crofts 1s. 25. paid for ringing upon the victory over the Spaniards [2] 6s. 26. paid for wine sent to Broomhall 1 li. 16s. Sep 9. paid chiefe rent to the Duke of Norfolk 2 li. 15s. 2½d. 24. paid in treating Mr. Banks 14s. 6d. 26. paid Samuel Smith for leading stone to Sheermore bridge 3s. 6d. 30. paid chiefe rent for lands in Hallam 9s. Oct. 30. paid Ringing on the Princes Birthday 6s. Nov. 18. paid Gervas Brown for watching Beets chimney in Bullas house 1s. paid Roads hoopeing the Ranmoor 1s. 4d. Dec. 22. paid Wm. Birks for the Towns charity to the poor 6 li. Jany. 14. Spent at proclaimeing warr against Spain 1 li. 1s. Feb. 19. Spent at a meeting about the Hospitall 6s. 24. paid Thomas Broadhead a years Bounty to the Charity Schoole 3 li. March 13. Spent when the Church and Towns writeings were searched 6s. 3d. April 15. paid Thomas Bridge for repairing pinfold wall 7s. 6d. May 16. Spent at takeing and cryeing Constables accounts 2s. 2d. 22. Spent at Ezra Caltons consulting to entertain the Archbishop 6s. 8d.

[Page 34.] July 3. gave Mr. Jessops servants at Broomhall 7s. 6d. July 25. paid Entertaining the Archbishop of York as per particulars 20 li. 5s. 4½d. Aug. 10. paid earnest bargain makeing at building the new house at the bridge 1s. 15. paid at rearing the house at Lady's bridge 2s. 6d. paid Mrs. Pegg for wine sent to Broomhall 2 li. 14s. 23. paid in treating Mr. Banks 14s. Oct. 20. Solempnizing the Coronation 1 li. 16s. musick 3s., Ringing and Candles 6s. 6d.—9s. 6d. 30. Solempnizing the Princes Birthday 9s. Nov. 2. paid mending the Church Gates 2s. paid for coals to the Bonefire 5° Nov. 6s. 8d.

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[1] Probably Robert Molesworth, Commissioner of Trade and Plantations, 1714; created Viscount Molesworth in the peerage of Ireland, 1716; died 22nd May, 1725.

[2] Doubtless the victory of Admiral Byng, who destroyed the Spanish fleet off Cape Parsaro in 1718.

[Page 35.] Jan. 11. Spent at a meeting at Mr. Caltons 2 s. 12. paid Mr. Battie about Button makers at Doncaster sessions 5s. Feb. 18. Spent in treating Mistres Parkins when peace made with Spain[1] 18s. paid ringing then and candles 6s. 6d. 1720. March 26. Spent at John Mortons consulting about criminals 5s. April 26. paid Mr. Lee at Pontefract sessions 5s. for traverseing the Button makers indictments 5 li. 5s.—5 li. 10s. Ringing on Kings birthday 6s. spent at Mr. Robinsons 1 li. 12s.—1 li. 18s. May. ringing on the Restoration 6s. To be allowed for a dinner 3 li. paid ringing when Bishop was here omitted 7s.

9° May 1722. At a publick meeting to take the Collector Mr. John Browns accounts, Mr. Cornelius Dale was named and chosen, nemine contradicente, to be collector for the town of Sheffield for two years next ensueing, and at the same time Mr. John Brown was rechosen an assistant to be added to Mr. Samuel Shore, Mr. Thomas Parkin, Mr. Joseph Hawley, Mr. Samuel Staniforth, and Mr. Benjamin Pearson.

[Page 36.] At the same time the 9° of May 1722; The sume of one hundred and twenty pounds was unanimously agreed by above 60 freeholders present to be gave towards building the new church at Sheffield at the several payments following viz. 40 li. at March next, forty pounds at Whitsunday next, and 40 li. at Whitsunday 1724.[2]

At the same meeting it was unanimously agreed that for the future the overseers of the poor and not the Towns Collector shall repair all the almshouses and poorshouses belonging to the Town of Sheffield excepting those that the Collector shall receive a vallueable rent for.

[Page 37.] The account of Mr. John Brown collector for the Town of Sheffield for the years 1720 and 1721

Dr. Received 556 li. 3s. 1½d, including "with money received of Mr. Shireburne, his grace's gratuity to the Almshouses 40 li." The years rental 84 li. 6s. 10d.

Cr. 535 li. 6s. 4½d. including "By Disbursements and charges of building the new Almshouses in the West barr as by a particular paper Book of disbursements, in the whole 346 li. 18s. 3d."

Charge 556 li. 3s. 0½d. discharge 535 li. 6s. 4½. accountant Dr. 20 li. 17s. 8d.

9° May 1722. At a public meeting these accounts were seen, examined, and allowed (errors excepted), and the

[1] Philip V. of Spain accepted terms January, 1720, and peace was concluded.

[2] The church afterwards known as St. Paul's.

Ballance being 20 li. 17s. 8d. was paid by the accountant to his successor, Mr. Cornelius Dale, and the accountant is discharged.

[Page 38.] particulars of Mr. Brown's disbursements [Inter alia] 1720. June 21. To Wm. Reiney chief rent due to the Duke of Norfolk for the Town of Sheffield for the year 1719 2 li. 15s. 2½d. 29. To ditto for the year [1720] 2 li. 15s. 2½d. To entertaining the Duke of Chemdois son 4s. To danks iron 4 qrs. for [the town] 9s. 9d. July 18. To Benj. Greaves for cloath for the Map of the Town 4s. 2d. 20. To Wm. Birks for fees for the Button makers at Rotherham sessions 7 li. Aug. 1. To expenses at Mr. Horsefields on the Kings accession day 16s. To Ringers for ditto 6s. Oct. 7. To John Greens bill for work done at Barker and Blind lanes 2 li. 5s. 25. To expenses treating Mr. Jessop 1 li. 8s. 6d. Nov. 10. To expenses on gunpowder treason day 10s. Jany. 26. To Benj. Caudwell for iron for Town use per rect 7s. 6d. To ringers paid Mr. Heaton when the Bishop was here 7s. May 24. Expences at the Generall Meeting Wednesday before Whitsunday 1 li. 5s. 29. To expences at the restauration day 12s. 4d. To ringers on ditto and the Kings Birthday 12s. July. To cash paid Mrs. Pegg one halfe the extraordinary for wine, the Church Burgesses paid other halfe, which was not in the former accounts 17s. 6d. To Robert Wilson [1] towards the Town Mapp 1 li. 10s. Total 72 li. 14s. 0½d.

Mr. John Browns disbursements for the year 1721 [among others the following] June 21. paid Robert Wilson for Towns Map as by rect 5 li. 5s. Aug. 1. Expences then and with the Bishop Killalough 1 li. 1s. 5. paid Mr. Ellis for goeing to Derby and treating Mr. Lumbs 10s. 10d. 10. Treating Justice Bradshaw 10s. Sep. 2. Treating the D. Norfolk per particulars and rect 4 li. 1s. Mr. Parkin for pipes and tobacco &c. 4s. 14. Treating Mr. Banks 1 li. 5s. paid treating Justice Woodyer 10s. Oct. 13. Treating Judge Jessop and Mr. Ayre as per rect 1 li. 10s. 10d. 19. paid Mr. Eaton for danks Iron for Towns use per rect 4s. 10d. Nov. 5. To Ayre for 1 load of Coals 2s. 9d. Nov. 16. Expences at Mr. Horsefields when made agreement with workmen for building the poor houses 1 li. 4s. Dec. 19. paid Robert Bright for woodwork done at Shuttles at Barkers poole as per rect 1 li. 0s. 6d. April 4. Treating Mr. Jessop at Mr. Watsons 1 li. 4s. 6d. 19. paid Mr. Wadsworth for silver, orris, and lace, &c , for the waits 2 li. 2s. May. paid the remainder of

[1] Robert Wilson seems to have been a surveyor in Sheffield. Many maps done by him are in the Duke of Norfolk's office. This map is not now known to exist among the records of the Town Trustees.

Bill of Charges about the button makers after the Corporacion[1] had paid their part 2 li. 18s. 1d. Charges to and from Mr. Lumb of Derby about the Silk manufactory 12d., treating them at Darby 4s., gave servants 1s. 6d.—6s. 6d.

[Page 41.] 20 May 1724. At a publick meeting to take the Collector, Mr. C. Dales accounts, Mr. B. Pearson was named and chosen the Collector, nemine contradicente, at the same time Mr. Samuel Staniforth resigned his place as one of the assistants by reason of his liveing remote at Attercliffe and not in the town of Sheffield, and to supplye Mr. Pearson's place and Mr. Staniforths, Mr. Dale and Mr. Eaton were proposed and chosen, nemine contradicente.

Ordered that the next Collector nor none of his successors pay the rent for the ponds[2] unless it be for the herbage.

13 Feb 1724. Att a publick meeting of the Burgesses or free tenants where was present seventy seven freeholders, Mr. James Crawshaw is chose an assistant to the Collector in the roome of Mr. Joseph Hawley deceased.

and the freeholders, understanding there are endeavours and means used to take from them the wasts in the towne and the cottages and incroachments upon the same, and other the rights of the freeholders; It is, nemine contradicente, resolved, that all suites and troubles that shall be brought against or happen to them or any of them or their tenants to the same for any of these purposes, shall be defended at the publick charge and expense of the Burgesses or freetenants out of their Town stock, and be paid and disburst by the Collector for the time being as there is occasion, and which shall be allowed in his account.

and it is further resolved that if the accions nowe brought by my Lord Duke of Norfolke against Mr. Shore shall appear to be for Mr. Shores encroaching upon the wasts or to try his Graces right or pretences to the wasts, or for any thing Mr Shore has done for the publick as town collector or a publick officer, those accions shall be defended at the publick charge in like manner.

and the freeholders present did desire and authorise the Town Collector and assistants to consider of and prepair for the defence in the said accions.[3]

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[1] The Corporation of Cutlers.

[2] That is, the place known as "The Ponds."

[3] In a volume in the British Museum (Add. MS. 27538), which formerly belonged to Mr. Vincent Eyre, the Duke of Norfolk's Agent, are a number of papers about this dispute between the Duke and the Burgery. Folio 369 contains a letter dated Feb. 2nd, 1719-20, from John Dunbar, enclos-

and it was resolved and agreed that, upon the death of an assistant, another shall be chose in his place within six weeks time, and that the Town Collector give a weeks notice of such elleceon.

and further tis resolved and agreed that the Towns Cheife rents be forthwith gathered and that a Rentall be made up as soone as may be and given to the Collector.

[Page 42.] The account of Mr. Cornelius Dale Collector of the rents for the Town of Sheffield for the years 1722 and 1723 made this 20th day of May 1724.

[Charge. 354 li. 9s. 1d. including 100 li. borrowed of Mr. Christopher Bromhead at interest.]

Discharge.] He returned noe arrears of the two years he now accounts for. But there is an arrear yet remaining of William Turners] 15s. and Wid. Glover 15s. returned by Mr. Browne which he has charged himself withall 1 li. 10s. He disbursed as per the particuler items for which vouchers are produced and putt up in order and which follow 191 li. 17s. 6½d. More particuler expences about the navigation as follows by it selfe 157 li. 17s. 7½d.—351 li. 5s. 1½d.

20th May 1724. At a publick meeting these accounts were seen examined and allowed (errors excepted) the ballance due from the accountant being 3 li. 3s. 11½d. which he paid to his successor, Mr. Benjamin Pearson, and the accountant is Discharged.

[Page 43.] [In the particulars of Mr. Dale's accounts are the following] 29th May 1722. paid at Mrs. Woods it being King Charles restoration day 1 li. 7th June 1722. paid William Gray for a box to put the Towns mapp into 1s. 6d. 2 July. paid Samuel Carr for a muck dragg and a cow rake to fey [1] the Trueloves gutter with 3s. 3 July. paid at Mr. Watsons to treat Mr. Bradshaw 6s. 6d. 8 July. paid for

ing an opinion of Sir Constantine Phipps on the encroachments on the Duke of Norfolk's Manor at Sheffield. The tenants supposed that under Furnival's Charter all the waste of the manor was granted to them, and they let it on lease or built houses on it. Phipps advised the Duke to bring a Bill in the Exchequer to quiet his possession, and for an Injunction to stay encroachments. The Duke of Norfolk filed a Bill against Samuel Shore and others for encroachments on the waste, and also took proceedings in the Court of Exchequer. See folios 372 and 375 of the vol. above quoted. On folio 396 will be found the terms of a proposed settlement between the Duke and the Free Tenants. On folio 367 a copy, dated 24th June, 1726, of Mr. John Shirburn's reply to the answer of the Sheffield Free Tenants about the town's waste. Folio 391 contains the opinion of Nathanael Pigot, dated 27th August, 1627, about "the dispute between the Duke of Norfolk and the Town of Sheffield."

[1] fey: to cleanse. See note page 27.

wood work at the Church yates and sashes at the little house at Lady's Bridge 8s. 12 July. paid Nicholas Milner for a cow rake and a spade for the use of the Barker pool 2s. 2d. 25 July. paid at Mr. Watsons to treat Judge Jessop 2 li. 4s. 6d. 28th July. paid at John Milners at a meeting when the fence was puld down at Green lane 6s. 9d. 2 Oct. paid Stephen Allen for cleaning flint well 5s. 11 Dec. paid Robert Brinsworth for a load of clay for flint well and leading away 3 loads of rubbish from thence 2s. 13 Dec. paid Samuel Carr for a spade and a cow rake for Lady's Bridge 2s. 6d. 1st Jan. paid John Shore for mossing and repairing the Towns Houses in the Blind lane 13s. 14 Jan. paid to Thomas Broadhead and James Person halfe a years charity money the town gave to the Charity school 3 li. 30 Jan. paid Manuel Thompson for his bed in the old almes house 3s. 6d. 15th March. paid to the Trustees of the new church 40 li. 20 May. paid for ale when the freeholders met about the pond well 9s. 6d. 5th June. paid at Mr. Watsons [1]

[1] The Cutlers' Company's accounts contain the following entries:—"5 June. spent at Mr. Watson's drinking the Duke of Norfolk's health with Mr. Shirburne upon the Duke's release from the Tower 1 li. 5s. 6d." and again.—"Spent at Mr. Watson's on the Duke's release from the Tower 2 li. 13s." The imprisonment of the Duke of Norfolk arose out of the proceedings of the Jacobites. King George opened a new Parliament on the 9th October, 1722, when the Speech from the Throne informed the country that a dangerous conspiracy had been formed in favour of a Popish Prince, and that some of the conspirators were in the Tower. Distinguished among these was Bishop Atterbury, of Rochester, who was arrested in August. Fifteen days after the opening of Parliament the Duke of Norfolk was sent to the Tower, and after a detention of about eight months was released without trial. See Lord Stanhope's History of England from the Peace of Utrecht to 1783. In connection with these events there is a curious letter from the Duke of Norfolk to Mr. Shirburne, his agent, dated 12th Nov., 1723. It is in the British Museum, Add. MSS. 27538, folio 407, and reads as follows;—

NORFOLK TO SHIRBURN.

Shirburn,—Having writ to you some time ago and not having received from you any letter since, makes me fear that my last letter to you never came, but was stopt at the post house as some of mine have been. It was to inform you that I had very good advice that we that had registered were not by this new act or any other obliged to register again, and that therefore I would not have you doe it. I have great raison to believe that my baile will be discharged the last day of this term, and though it is no great trouble to me to apear twice every term I should be glad not to be obliged to do it. I think it is high time to show my resentment to Mr. Dossie for his insolence to me when the bells rung for my relaisement; if you dont apprehend any ill consequence I would have you pay him no more the voluntary allowance I give him yearly, for though his Insolence be what I dont value—I would have him know, and others, that I am not afraid of discontinuing my favours to those that act so disrespectfully to me.—I remain, your friend, NORFOLK.

Nov. 12th, 1723.

when news came of the Duke of Norfolks releasement from the Tower 1 li. 5s. 6d. 7 June. paid John Turner for slateing and mossing the almes House 15s. 6d. paid Mr. Jonathan Moor the Master Cutler 3d. for a chiefe rent due to him from the Town 3d. 21 Sept 1723. paid when the Justices came over for the Towns people to take the oaths to the King[1] 4s. 10d.

[Page 45.] 4 Nov. paid at Horsefields when the Earle of Sandwich[2] was there 3 li. 6s. 9d. 13 Dec. paid for getting rubish out of the Barker poole and leading the same away 1s. 6d. Spent at Mr. Watson's with Mr. Sherburne when the Duke of Norfolk's Bail was discharged 2 li. 10s. paid the Ringers 3s. 26th Dec. paid Mr. Smith for the knives the Town made Mr. Wilkinson a present of and carriage 2 li. 2s. 6d. 27th Dec. paid William Unwin for work and wood at the Railes at the Ladys Bridge 6s. 7d. paid the ringers upon the Kings safe arrivall from Hanover 6s. 13th March. paid Mr. Watson for wine to treat Mr. Sherbourne when Mr. Smith came from London 2s. 5d. 27 April 1724. paid Mr. Holmes, the Duke of Norfolk's wood warde, a years rent for the Pondes 1 li. paid for a lock for the loby door 2s. paid Mr. Hawley which he spent with the Doncaster gentlemen 3s.

[Page 46.] paid to the Trustees of the new church 40 li. towards making up 120 li. the Towns people agreed to give them towards building the said new church 40 li.[3]

The Duke having had letters stopped in the Post Office is a circumstance that reminds us of the difference between then and now. The reference to those who had "registered" is to Roman Catholics who had registered their estates with the Clerk of the Peace, as required by Act of Parliament. See 1 Geo. I. c. 55 and 10 Geo. I. c. 4.

[1] Amid the excitement caused by the plot in favour of the Stuarts, Sir Robert Walpole proposed to raise £100,000 by a tax on the estates of Roman Catholics. This was carried by a large majority in the House of Commons, and by a subsequent motion the tax was extended to all who would not take the oath to the Government. Hence it became necessary to ascertain who were non-jurers, and almost the whole nation was summoned to swear allegiance to the Government. Lord Stanhope quotes Speaker Onslow as saying, "It is a strange as well as a ridiculous sight to see the people crowding at the Quarter Sessions to give testimony of their allegiance to a Government and cursing it at the same time for giving them the trouble of so doing."

[2] Edward Montagu, third Earl of Sandwich; "a tall, thick, black man," says Macky; "very ugly and a fop," says Swift. The Cutlers' Company spent £3 6s. 6d. in treating Lord Sandwich.

[3] The new church was St. Paul's Church.

PARTICULAR EXPENCES ABOUT THE NAVIGATION.[1]

26th Sep. 1722. paid at Mr. Watsons to treat Judge Jessop 13s. paid Isaac Smith for goeing with lettres to severall persons 1s. 6d. 1st Oct. paid Mr. Beverlyes when we met the Doncaster men 19s. 2d. 5th. paid Isaac Smith for goeing for Mr. Palmer 7s. Paid Robert Frost for goeing twice to Doncaster 3s. 29th. Paid at Mr. Watsons for meat and drink for the surveyors 1 li. Nov. 6th. Paid Robert Frost for goeing to Doncaster with Lettres 1s. 6d. 7th. Paid at Doncaster at Mr. Whiteacrs when we met the Land owners 3 li. 1s. 2d. 19th Nov. Paid at Rotherham when we met the Doncaster men 11s. 10d. 23d. Paid at Horsfields at a meeting about Navigation 4s. 6d. 24th. Paid Mr. Palmer the Surveyor as by his Rect 8 li. 9s. Paid that day at Horsefields 12s. 6d. 27th. Paid at Mrs. Woods on Navigation account 2s. 6d. 1st Dec. Paid Robert Frost for goeing to York for Mr. Palmer 10s. 6d. 8th. Paid Isaac Smith for goeing to Nottingham 9s. 10th. Paid at Mrs. Woods on Navigation account 4s. 6d. 6th Jany. Paid Thomas Shepley for goeing to Doncaster with Lettres 2s. 6d. 12th. Paid Robert Frost for goeing to Doncaster 2s. 6d. 16th. Paid at Watsons when Mr. Arther of Doncaster came over 2s. 6d. 17th. Paid at Horsfields at a meeting 2s. 6d. 10th Aug. 1723. Paid Thomas Kellam for copying the Navigation Act of parliament 6s. 16th. Paid Mr. John Smith when we went to Doncaster about the Navigation 13s. 6d. 22d. Paid at Watsons to treat Mr. Newsome of London 12s. 6d. 29th. Paid at Watsons to Treat Sir William Lawther 7s. Nov. 5. Paid at Watsons when the Doncaster men came over 8s. 9d. 12. Paid Wm. Water for goeing to bring Mr. Palmer over 10s. 24th Dec. Paid at Rotherham when the Town mett the Doncaster men 13s. 1d. 31st. Paid Wm. Moore the Master Cutler when we mett the gentlemen at Doncaster 2 li. 2s. 4d. 6th Jany. Paid him more when we went to meet the Corporation of Doncaster 1 li. 1s. 3d. 9th. Paid at Mr. Watsons when the Doncaster gentlemen came over to Sheffield 15s. 7d. 14th. Paid at Hebdens at Rotherham when we mett the Doncaster gentlemen 7s. 7d. 16th. Paid at Hebdens when we mett them again 8s. 24th. Paid to Mr. John Smith when he went for London 2 li. 10s. 21st Febr. Paid Matthew Swindon for Mr. Smith of Midlewith on account of the Navigation 5s. 4th March. paid at Mrs. Woods at 2 or 3 meetings when the Lettres were wrote to the Parliament men 1 li. 4s. 29th April 1724. paid John Wallis for his horse to London for Mr. Clay 15s.—30 li. 19s. 9d. carry it to Bx [*i.e.* p 36].

[1] The navigation referred to is the River Dun Navigation, in which the Trustees took ten shares.

[Page 36.] vide Bx belonging Cornelias Dales Navigation Disbursements. 29th April 1724. Paid Joshua Hoyland for his horse for Danj. Bridges when he went about the navigation 6s. Paid Thomas Kellam for copying the Navigation Act 11s. 9th April. Paid Mr. Palmer the surveyor when he came from London 15 li.

The charges below are when the gentlemen went to get Petitions from severall Townes and places to Promote makeing the River Dunn navigable.

Charges of Mr. Humpton, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Joseph Steer, and Mr. Staniforth at York, Malton, Castle Howard, and other places 5 li. 4s. 4d. Charges of Mr. Robert Downes, John Downes at Maxfield and Middlewith and Congecton and Chester, and Mr. Chappell and Mr. Heaton at Liverpoole and Stockport 15 li. 6s. 2d. Mr. Clay and Mr. Bridges at Hull, Heyden, and Grimsbye 5 li. 1s. 6d. Mr. Elcanah Hancock and Mr. Jonathan Moore, expences at Redford 1 li. 12s. 6d. Mr. Waterhouse, Mr. Nodder, and Mr. Hawksworth expences in Derbyshire 1 li. 18s. 6d. Mr. Shore and Mr. Longsden expences at Doncaster and other places 10s. Paid Mr. Heaton more expences 5s. paid Mr. George Steer more expences 8s. 6d. paid Edward Hancock for horse hire 15s. Paid Mr. Horsfeild and Mr. Coale their expences at Lynn and other places 11 li. 3s. 10d. Mr. Hurts expences at Doncaster 3s. 9d. Paid at Horsfeilds ut per bill and rect 3 li. Dec. 29. Paid at Doncaster at Whitecars 2 li. 6s. paid Mr. George Steer for getting two Petitions to the Parliament from Derby and Tamworth in our favour 16s. Paid at Mr. Watsons 18s. Spent at Mrs. Woods at a Townes meeting about navigation 10s. 6d. Paid Mr. Palmer ut per rect 19 li. 10s. Paid Thomas Kellam 12s. 6d. Paid 4 li. 16s. for interest of 100 li. borrowed at severall times of Mr. Christopher Bromhead to carry on the Navigation affairs 4 li. 16s. 23d Jany. 1722. Paid Thomas Kellam more for goeing to York about the Navigation as by rect omitted before 12s. 9d. Paid Mr. Sitwell [1] his expences out of pockett about the Navigation in winter 1722 as per perticulers; Nothing being yet allowed for his trouble, 30 li. 18s. 3½d. more in the country 1 li. 5s. Paid Mr. Shore for Mr. Swallows journeys into Lancashire and Cheshire

[1] Francis Sitwell, of Sheffield, attorney, clerk to the Cutlers' Company, cousin to Francis Sitwell, of Renishaw. He lived in Bridgehouses, probably at the old house of the Clays, facing the iron bridge, and known in its latter days as the Union Inn. He died unmarried, July, 1741. Sir George R. Sitwell, Bart., has some interesting notes from Francis Sitwell's pocket books, showing many details of his professional and personal affairs, and the modes of travel adopted by a gentleman in the middle of the 18th century.

2 li. 19s. 9d., and more for charges about navigation he had laid out 3 li. 7s. 9d. 126 li. 18s. 10½d. vide Bx 30 li. 19s. 9d. Totall 157 li. 18s. 7½d.

[Page 47.] [The entries on this page are a duplicate of those on page 36 copied above.]

[Page 49.] The account of Mr. Benjamin Pearson collector of the rents for the Town of Sheffield for the years 1724, 1725, and 1726, made this [blank] day of [blank] 1727.

Charge. [Rental 1724-25-26 84 li. 17s. 10d. each year] moneys borrowed on the navigacon account; of Mrs. Lydia Browne 300 li. of Mr. Shore 30 li. of Mrs. Ferrand 100 li.—430 li. [Total charge 729 li. 3s. 1½d.]

Discharge. 1724. May 28°. paid Samuel Nawe farme greave of Hallam, Chiefe rent for this year 2 li. 15s. 2½d. June 1°. Treating the Dean of York et expences 13s. 4d. Aug. 27. Mr. Hurt for Lace etc 5s. 4d. 31°. at Mrs. Wood's for Worsop waits 5s. Oct. 10th. Spent with Mr. Jessop and Sons at Mr. Horsefeilds 3 li. 3s. 6d. 1725, March 25. Paid at Mr. Watson's treating Mr. Jessop 14s. 6d. June 9th. Paid at Mr. Horsefeild's treating the Earl of Oxford [1] 13s. 6d. 24. To Mr. Macheon for 13 dozens of Letters [2] (viz) Mr. Burley's charity sett up in the church 19s. 6d. Dec. 10. Freeholders subscription to new church, part 20 li. Feb. 20. Upon the Kings safe arrival att Rye to ringers 5s. 1726, March 30th. Mr. Jolley for copying the Duke's bill against the Town 17s. 2d.[3] Aug 24. Mr. Bridges a Hatt for Turner, and Lace setting on it 5s. 9d. To Mr. Hurt for silver lace 5s. 4½d. Sep 1°. To Mr. Horsefeild for wine and ale with Lord Gage 12s. 27th. Robert Jenkinson for whitening Towns hall 1 li. 11s. 1727, April 11. Mr. Cor. Dale part subscription to the new church from the Freeholders 20 li.

[Page 52.] Dec. 24, 1724. Paid to Mr. Samuel Hall and Samuel Wainwright for Mosley's money out of Land tax money, they not aggreeing to pay their year for the new alms Houses 6 li. [a similar entry for 1725.] 1725. To Mr. Elias Wordsworth for prosecuteing Sarah Hall 1 li. 9s. 6d. March 5. To Thomas Buck for prosecuteing John Dawson 1 li. 16 June 1726. To Mr. Thomas Allen and Mr. William Crawshaw churchwardens for 1724 and 1725 7 li. To William Hepworth when he went to York as constable that year 7 li. To Joseph Hoyland for prosecuteing Lydia Tompson 3 li. os. 6d.

[1] Edward Harley, second Earl of Oxford and Mortimer, succeeded his father 21st May, 1724, died 16th June, 1741.

[2] That is, gilt letters on the Charity Board in the Church.

[3] See Note p. 346.

20th May 1727. Mr. Hoyland for difference of window money 1 li. 16s. To John Grey's wife goeing to York with her son to put him into the Charity school there 7s. 6d.

PARTICULAR DISBURSEMENTS ABOUT THE NAVIGATION BY BENJAMIN PEARSON.

1726. paid to Mr. Thomas Parkin, drawn by Mr. John Smith and Mr. George Steer, as by receipt, at 3 severall Times 177 li. 10s.[1] Paid for the Entertainment at Cutlers hall at the return of Mr. Smith and Mr. Steer from London with the freeholders when the navigation act was gained 10 li. os. 3d.[2] paid Mr. Horsefeild by Mr. Dale 2 bills (viz) May the 13th. and June the 6th. in 1726 1 li. 10s. paid Mr. Watson by Mr. Dale for 13th May 1726 16s. Aug. 15th. Paid Mr. Horsefeild a bill of severall meetings 1 li. os. 1½d. Sept. 16. Mr. Horsefeild 2s. 9d. do. 21st. 4s. 2d.—6s. 11d. Oct. 21st. Mr. Palmer by Mr. Waits at Yorke 5 li. 5s. Nov. 11. Paid to Robert Hobson and George Cutt towards diging att Consbrough 4 li. Dec. 5th. Mr. Horsefeilds 7s. March 17th. Mrs. Woods 8s. 4d. and April 22d 5s.—13s. 4d. 26th April 1727. Mr. Jolley for writeing Lettres and petitions 1 li. 1s. Mr. Horsefeilds 4s. 9d. paid Robert Littlewood for the engine for the Navigacon and Loading it for Coningsbrough 11s. 6d. To Mr. Twigg of Wakefeild for service about peticon 2s. 6d. May 16th. To Mr. Stead for goeing to Leeds for a peticon 9s. 1d. paid Mr. Tooker halfe of 2 bills which he had paid at severall times as by his bills 1 li. 15s. 3½d. paid as by bill from Sept. 13 1726 till Nov. 9th 1726 Radforth 8 li. 9s. 1d. paid to Mr. Robert Holmes as by receipt for cart and horses 9 li. paid to Mr. William Palmer at severall times for Navigation 106 li. 16s. 9d. Paid to Masons (viz) John Hanby, Samuel Parsonson and partners, towards Coningsbrough Lock 8 li. To Thomas Made, Mr. Jessops servant 10s.—340 li. 8s. 7d.

[Page 53.] To Watson—when agreed with Cooper and Simpson 4s. 2d. Mr Jolley for business done about the Navigation as by bill bearing date Aug 30th 1726 1 li. 11s. 6d. Mr Redforth received of Mr Shore 80 li. To receive 50 li. [total] 131 li. 15s. 8d. which will make an equal balance with the Corporation [of Cutlers].

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[1] Drawn by bills of exchange; an advance on the old method of sending cash.

[2] See references to the Parliamentary battle about the Navigation in the Introduction to this volume.

PARTICULAR EXPENCES ABOUT THE NAVIGATION.

29th June 1724. Paid at Watsons treating Mr. Parkins about Navigation 1 li. 0s. 4d. 29 July. Paid at Watsons about Navigation 9s. 9d. Aug. 23. To Jonathan Moor 6 li. 10s. 10d. 29th. Mr. Horsfeilds 6s. 10d. To Cor. Dale goeing to Doncaster 8s. Jan. 2d. To Mr. Horsfeild 7s. 2d. Feb. 10th Mortons 8s. 4d., and again the 12th. 7s. 10d.—16s. 2d. April 10. Mrs. Turners for votes, and again 20th July. for votes 19s. 3d. Mr. Beet by bill of particulars 1 li. 8s. 1½d. Oct. 11th At Watsons with Jessop and Wortley 4s. 1d. Nov. At Mortons with Mr Palmer pro 3 lettres and a map 3s. 3d. Mr. Jessop paid for Copying a letter 6d. At Mortons 2s. Dec. 23rd. Mathaw Straford carrying a letter to Wortley 1s. 3d. Jan. 2d. Mr. Horsfeild 2s. 14th. Mortons 3s. paid Mr. Shore, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Redforth waiting of Mr. Wortley 4s. 6d. Mr. Bradley a petition writeing 7d. Feb. 2d. 2 letters from Doncaster and a meeting 3s. 10th. Wid. Woolas at a meeting at Cutlers hall 4s. 6d. 12th. Wid. Woollas 3s. 5d., and the 15th. 5s., and 16th. 1s. 3d.—9s. 8d. 17th. Mr. Turners ½ a quire of paper 6d., expences 11d.—1s. 5d. Mr. Bradley a 2nd petition writeing 7d. 18th. Wine from Mr. Watsons to Mr. Sheirburns 10s. 3d. 19th. Wid. Eyres 3s. 2d. 21st. Mr. George Steer as by receipt upon his goeing to London 5 li. Mr. Horsfeild 6s. 3d. 28th. Mrs. Turners 2s. 3d. 20 li. 8s. 8½d. The account of the other side hath refference to this under written as well as the account above.

25° May 1727. At a public meeting to pass Mr. Benjamin Pearson, the collectors accounts, his charge appeared to amount unto the sume of seven hundred twenty nine pounds three shillings and three halfe pence, and his discharge consisting of the severall items in the foregoing pages, seven hundred and fourteen pounds three shillings and nine pence, which being deducted from his charge he remained Dr. to ballance the sume of fourteen pounds nineteen shillings and three pence, which he paid over to Mr. Thomas Heaton, who is *nemine contradicente* chcse Collector in his room, and the accountant is discharged (errors excepted), and Mr. Pearson is likewise *nemine contradicente* appointed assistant in his stead.

[Signed by 23 freeholders.]

[Page 54.] [Apparently a continuation of B. Pearson's accounts.] Mr. Watsons with Mr. Wortley 7s. 1d. Mr. Heaton, Mr. Hoyland, etc., goeing to Wakefield and Leeds to get a petition 2 li. 7s. 6d. March 4th. Mr. Mortons 2s. 3d. 5th. Mrs. Turners 1s. 7d., and again 1s. 6d.—3s. 1d. 8th.

a letter, Mr. Wilkinson, att Mrs. Turners 1s. 11d. 10th. att Mrs. Turners 2s., and the 12th. 10d., and the 17th. 1s. 2d. —4s. wine from Horsefeilds sent to Mr. Jessops 1 li. 16s. Thomas Burton for his horse to Yorke and Malton to gett Petition 8s. paid Mr. Shore about navigation in the two journeys to London in the year 1726 22 li. 0s. 10d. 14th March 1725. To Mr. Watson at a meeting 7s. 3d. 20th. Mr. Mortons 2s. 3d. 24th. at Mrs. Turners 6s. 8d. 25th 1726. Mr. Watsons 6s. 8d. 26th. Mrs. Woods 6d., and April 2d. Mrs. Turners 9d.—1s. 3d. April 4th. for wine to Mr. Shores, Mr. Steers, and Mr. Smiths 17s. 16th. Mrs. Turners 1s. 1d., and 21st. 9d., and 27th. 1s. 3d.—3s. 1d. paid Bradley a 3rd petition, and Doncaster petition copying, and 30 letters writeing 4s. 3d. 28th. Mrs. Woods 1s. May 7th. at Mortons when the bill had past 3s., when the royal assent past 1s. 6d. —4s. 6d. June 2d. for 2 quires of Gilt paper 1s. 8th. paid Mr. Shore, Mr. Morton, Mr. Redforth, Ezra Morton, goeing to Sprodburrough per receipt 10s. paid Mr. Shore, Mr. Smith, Mr. Heaton, Mr. Redforth, and Mr. Littlewood goeing to Mr. Westby and Coningsburgh 10s. 11 Acts of Parliament 11s. Mr. Simons for gilt paper and wax 2s. 5d. 24th. To Hugh Hartley, one of the workmen about the locks 10s. 6d. To James Mitchell for charges 5s. 25th. Mr. Smith, Mr. Redforth, and Mr. Wade to Coningsbrough 4s. July 2d. Mr. Wade, Mr. Platts, and Mr. Redforth to Cadeby and Sprodbrough 9s. 6d. 14th. at John Wallas with Masons 3s. 15th. At Mr. Watsons with Doncaster men 13s. 19th. and 20th Mr. Dale, Mr. Heaton, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Redforth, and Mr. Broomhead at Coningsbrough and Sproddbrough 1 li. 1s. 1d. 28th. Mr. Holmes, Mr. Heaton, Mr. Redforth, and Palmer at Sprodbrough 7s. 6d. Earnest given to the masons 2s. 6d. 29th. at Watsons with Mr. Jessop 11s. 11d. Aug. 8th. Mr. Redforth, Mr. Wade, Mr. Smith and Mr. Palmer at Sandbeck and Coningsbrough 6s. 8d. at Mr. Watsons with Doncaster men that night 2s. 6d. Mrs. Woods with Mr. Westby servants 1s. 11th. Sir Thomas Wintworth steward 3s. 13th. Paid to Mr. Palmer 1 li. 1s. Mr. Haxby a map 4s. Mr. Watsons 10s. 1d. 38 li. 9s. 10d.

[Page 55.] 22nd May 1729. Att a publick meeting in the Towns hall for takeing the accounts of Mr. Thomas Eaton the Collector, whereof publick notice was gave by the Bellman, and for choseing a new collector to succeed him, Mr. James Crawshaw was unanimously chose collector for the two succeeding years, and the said Mr. Thomas Eaton was with the same consent chose again an assistant in the room of the said Mr. Crawshaw.

And then the accounts of the said Mr. Eaton the Collector were produced and examined and which are hereafter transcribed into this Booke, and the whole of the Receipts, including the navigation accounts, appearing to amount to one thousand nine hundred sixty three pounds nine shillings and five pence half penny, he stands charged with that sume, and the whole of his Disbursements appearing to amount to one thousand nine hundred fifty six pounds nine shillings and two pence half penny, which deducted from his charge; the Ballance remaining in his hands appears to be seven pounds and three pence, and his accounts are allowed (errors excepted) and the accomptant is discharged upon the payment of this Balance into the hands of Mr James Crawshaw the succeeding collector. [Signed by 14 Freeholders.]

15th February 1727. Mr John Smith[1] was unanimously chose assistant in the roome of Mr Benjamin Pearson deceased there being a great number of freeholders present at least by computation one hundred in number.

T. W. [Thomas Wright.]

[Page 56.] Money received on account and for the use of the Navigation and borrowed of the severall persons following to wit, of

1727. July 4. Elkanah Hancock 130 li. Sept. 19. Mr. Christopher Robinson 200 li. Nov. 29th. 1728. Machaell Milner 400 li. June 25. Mr. Diston 100 li. Sept. 18th. Mr. Ferrand 140 li. Sept. 24. Elkanah Hancock 20 li. Nov. 25. Jonathan Wainwright 80 li. Dec. 9th. Mrs. Elizabeth Sitwell 200 li. Jan. 13th. Mr. Shore and Mr. Browne 100 li. Feb. 11th. Mr. Charlesworth 280 li. March 15th. Mr. Browne 100 li.—1750 li.

Further Receipts by Thomas Heaton. Received of Mr. Benjamin Pearson what remained above Ballance in his accounts 14 li. 19s. 3d. Two years rentall 170 li. 11s. 4d. Received of some stage players for the Towns hall 10s. Received of Smith the Dancing Master for seven weeks in the Towns hall 7s. Received Two years chiefe rent of the Church Burgesses 14s. 4d. Other chiefe rents gathered 2 li. 4s. 6½d. Sold eighteen pound of old lead of the Towns hall and four little slates for 3s. Received of the overseers of the Poor for the great building in the West barr two years rent 24 li.—213 li. 9s. 5½d.

[Page 57.] Money disbursed on account and for the use of the Navigation per Thomas Heaton.

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[1] John Smith was an active spirit in promoting the Navigation scheme, and was Master Cutler in 1723. He was Town Collector, 1731, and died 7th December, 1753.

1727. June 5th. paid Mr. Tooker, half expences at meeting with the Doncaster gentlemen 5s. July 4. paid Mr. Redforth 100 li. Mr. B. Staniforth for Mr. Shore what he had laid downe 30 li. Sept. 19. paid Mr. Redforth 200 li. 21. Gave Mr. Samuell Savile's servant 4s. Nov. 21. Expended at Mrs. Woods at meeting with Michael Millner 4s. 24th. paid Mrs. Broadhead a years interest of her Bond for 100 li. due Sept. 30th, 4 li. 10s. 29. paid Mr. Redforth 200 li. Dec. 18. paid Mrs. Lidia Browne a years Interest for 300 li. 15 li. Feb 1st. paid Mr. Redforth 75 li. 21. Expended at Widdow Milners at a meeting to consider the Doncaster proposall 5s. March 21st. paid Mr. Redforth 100 li. 1728. June 12th. paid Mr. Ferrand interest of 100 li. due May 25th last; 5 li. 16s. 8d. 26th. paid Mr. Redforth 100 li. Oct. 16. paid Mrs. Broadhead a years interest; 4 li. 10s. July the 8th. paid Elkanah Hancock a years Interest; 6 li. 10s. Nov. 11th. paid Mr. Redforth 127 li. 8s. 2d. Dec. 7th. paid Mr. Christopher Robinson a years Interest 10 li. Nov. 30th. paid Mr. Redforth 80 li. Dec. 11. paid Mrs. Horsfield expences of two meetings about Navigation 15s. 27th. paid Mr. Redforth 200 li. Jan. 14th. paid Elkanah Hancock his note and interest 20 li. 6s. 7th. paid William Milner a years interest; 20 li. Feby. 3d paid Mr. Redforth 20 li. 2d. Expended at Mrs. Woods at meeting Mr. Charlesworth 7s. 2d. 12th. paid Mrs. Sparrow, late Mrs. Lidia Browne, off her Bond, and 17 months Interest; 321 li. 5s. 1729. May 7th. paid Mr. Redforth by John Nicholson 20 li. 19th. paid do. 2 li. Mar. 15, 1728. paid do. 100 li. 1764 li. 6s.

[Page 58.] 1727. Further disbursement per Thomas Heaton. [Among others the following] June 5th. paid John Morton for freeholders meat and ale the 29th past 1 li. 1s. 25. paid Samuell Skargell expences at a meeting to consult about proclaiming the King[1] 5s. June 30 The proclamation of the King. Samuell Salmon for a load of coales 3s. 6d. The Ringers 6s. John Gray for work; paid more for ale per receipt equall with the Master Cutler 6 li. 16s. 10½d. July 12th. paid for a Lock for Town's head Pinfold 1s. 8d. Aug. 9th. Expended at the Cock and Mr. Watsons to consult with the Master Cutler and Church Burgesses about entertening the Archbishop of York 7s. 1d. 16. The charges. Mr. Dale's bill 3 li. 3s. Mr. Redforths bill 2 li. 12s. 7d. Mr. Tookers bill 2 li. 15s. 8d. Ebenezer Wallace for Knifes presented Archbishop, per receipt 1 li. 13s. John Morton for ale 1 li. 7s.—11 li. 12s. 2d. half 5 li. 16s. 1d.[2] Mr.

[1] George II. succeeded his father 11th June, 1727.

[2] The expense was divided between the Burgesses and the Cutlers' Company.

Watson for wine; half with Master Cutler 10s. 3d. 13th. Expended at Mr. Watsons with Vicar [and] Master Cutler, per rect 2s. 8d. 18. gave at Sir Thomas Wentworth's to the servants 8s. 6d. 23d. paid Mr. Bradley for writeing the addresse to the King and paper 1s. 3d. Oct. 11. paid the Ringers at the King's Coronation 7s. 6d. 12. paid half expences at Horsefields with the Master Cutler 1 li. 14s. 8d. Nov 7th. paid Mr. Turner for advertising about the waites 2s. 25th. paid Mr. Macheon for 252 gold letters on the Charity table in the Church 1 li. 11s. 20th. paid Mr. Haxby for Nelson's Justice 6s. Dec. 9th. paid Mrs. Wood when Bingham the Fidlers came candidates 14s. 8d. Dec. 11th. Gave Staleys Fidlers which came candidates 3s. Dec. 13th. paid Mrs. Wood when wee agreed with Binghams to be waites 7s. 6d. 30th. paid Mrs. Travis for mending and boyling the waites Badges 2s. 6d. Feb. 17. paid Mrs. Hall for three Hats for the waites 1 li. 1s. 6d. paid Mr. Hurt for lace and buttons 11s. June 4. A Baseviol and case 4 li. 12s. carriage, it being returned twice 9s. June 8. paid for lime from Balbrough and Eyam 11s. 4d. Oct. 19. paid Mrs. Turner for votes 13s. 3d.

[Page 60.] Jan. 1°. paid Mrs. Wood at meeting Water workmen 5s. 4d. 15. paid John Morton when we went to get subscriptions for the poor 4s. 4d. May 3. paid Jonathan Gray and Matthew Threlfall 3s. for a new piggin and chain for the Pond well 3s. paid Mr. Wright costs about the wasts 50 li. 5s.

[Page 61.] May 9th. paid Francis Renshaw for a case for the Towns map 2s. 5d. 20. paid Mr. Sitwell 2 quarters sallary 6 li. Copying the act of parliament about the Hospitall 2s. 6d For a Bassoon, Bag, Box, and Carriage 5 li. 5s. paid to the Navigation above, which preceeds 14 li. 6s. Received 213 li. 9s. 5½d. Disbursed 206 li. 9s. 2½d. remainder 7 li. 0s. 3d.

[Memorandum, in the handwriting of Thomas Wright, Town Clerk.] 20th October 1729. Mr John Steer [1] was unanimously chose assistant in the Roome of Mr. Cornelius Dale, Deceased, there being a great number of Freeholders present, and a weeks notice haveing been given before by the Bellman.

16° Febry. 1729. Mr. John Nodder was unanimously chose assistant in the Room of Mr. Thomas Parkin, deceased, there being a great number of Freeholders present, and a weeks notice haveing been given by the Bellman.

[1] Query George Steer.

[In another handwriting.] 3rd June 1731. being the Thursday before Whitsuntide, when Mr. John Crawshaw the Towns Collector for the Two years last past made his accounts; Mr. John Smith was unanimously chose collector for the ensuing two years; and Mr. James Crawshaw was likewise unanimously chose an assistant in the stead of the said Mr. John Smith.

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[Page 63.] 3d June 1731. At the public meeting the Thursday before Whitsuntide, as usual, Mr. James Crawshaws accounts, Collector for the two last years, were read and examined, and his charge as follows by the particulars in this Book, amounting unto the sume of two hundred and six pounds six shillings, and his Discharge as follows, likewise in particulars in this book, unto the sume of one hundred and eighty six pounds fourteen shillings and eleven pence halfepenny. He remains Dr. to the Town nineteen pounds eleven shillings and an halfe penny, which was paid by him into the hands of his successor Mr. John Smith, who is to be charged with the same in his accounts, and he, the said Mr. Crawshaw, is discharged and this account allowed, errors excepted. [Signed by Sixteen Freeholders.]

[Page 64.] The accounts of Mr. James Crawshaw for the Town of Sheffield for the years 1729 and 1730.

Dr. [Receipts 206 li. 6s., including "May 31, Mr. Heaton for the old Towns bell 4s. 4d."]

Cr. By cash paid sundry persons on the Towns account from May the 29th 1729 to June 3d 1731 as follows viz:—

[Among others the following items.] Aug. 7. Duke of Leeds servants 10s. Sep. 1. Mr. Watson for wine to Mr. Jessop 15s. Oct. 6. Mr. Smith, Walker, and Heathcott for repairing Barker pool and a Lock 1 li. 3s. 1d. 11. Lord Maltons[1] servants 10s. Dec. 23d. Mr. Nevill Simmons expences at a meeting 8s. 9d. Jany. 2d. Mr. Horsfield expences meeting the proprietors of the Towns waterworks 6s. 8d.

[Page 65.] Aug. 11. Wm. Watson treating the German princes 1 li. 14s. 8d. To the princes 5 li. 5s. 19. Mrs. Horsfield treating Mr. Banks 14s. Nov. 23. Mr. Smith for what he paid to the votes for parliament last winter 14s.

[Page 66.] Dec. 20. Mrs. Horsfield expences at a meeting about incendiaries 1 li. 5s. May 18. Mrs. Horsfield at a meeting about Mands and Ridgleys leases 5s. 3d. 28. Mr. John Smith for the Town Bell per receipt 13s. 6d.

[1] Thomas Watson Wentworth, created Baron Wentworth of Malton May 28th, 1728; created Marquis of Rockingham April 16th, 1746.

[Page 67.] Paid Mr Wright in part his Bill of Law charges in the Court of Exchequer in the suite with the Duke of Norfolk 40 li.

Charge 206 li. 6s. discharge 186 li. 14s. 11½d. [balance] 19 li. 11s. 0½d.

22d March 1732. Att a publick meeting of the Freeholders, pursuant to notice by the Bellman six days before, for them to meet and choose an assistant in the roome of Mr. Nodder deceased, Mr. Thomas Young was the only person named for an assistant, and by fifty three freeholders then present was duly elected into the place of an assistant.

10 May 1733. [Notice in the usual form to chose a collector in place of Mr. John Smith, and an assistant in the room of the assistant who is chose collector; 40 freeholders present, unanimously chose Mr. George Steer Town collector for two years ensuing and Mr. John Smith assistant.]

At the same meeting and at the same time, the accounts of the said Mr. Smith were read and his vouchers produced and the accounts allowed, which will appear entered in this Booke. His charge, exclusive of what he received on the Navigation account being Two hundred forty one pounds ten shillings and nine pence half penny, and his discharge, exclusive of that account, being one hundred eight pounds seven shillings and five pence farthing. And his charge upon the Navigation account being Two hundred eighty pounds seven shillings, and his discharge upon that account amounting to Three hundred thirty three pounds twelve shillings and three pence. There is a ballance in his hands upon the whole of seventy nine pounds eighteen shillings and a penny farthing, which he is to pay over to his successor, Mr. George Steer, which discharges the said account. [38 freeholders sign.]

[Mr. John Smiths accounts 1731 and 1732. Charge 241 li. 10s. 9d., including; Dec. 10. Money received of Gilbert Roberts for the broken Towns bell 7lbs. ½ at 8d., 5s. Feb. 24. Money received of a showman for the use of the Towns Hall 1 li.]

Discharge on the Towns account. [The following entries among others.] Oct. 9. To Mrs. Horsfield meeting Mr. Jessop about keeping soldiers out of Town 4s. 6d. The swineherds horn 1s. 26. To Mr. Watson treating Mr. Jessop and Lord Darcy 1 li. 15s. Dec. 13. To Mr. Turner for votes of last Parliament 1 li. 1s. 6d. 17. Mr. Joseph Broadbent recasting the Towns Bell 5s. 10d. Jan. 10. To John Greaves for the old bell 4s. 9d. March 16. To Thomas Pashley

makeing a new gate into the Church yard 14s. 1732, June 3. To the Czarazan-Prince[1] 10s. 6d. 27. Going to visit Lord Malton, gave the servants 5s. Sept. 1. To Thomas Syddall, the Bell Hanger, by order of the assistants 1 li. 1s. 7. To Mrs. Horsfield treating Mr. Jessop and Lord Darcy 1 li. 17s. 6d. Oct. 11. To Mr. Watson treating the justices 6s. 30. To Mrs. Beswick treating the freeholders, being the Kings birthday 1 li. 2s.

[Page 70.] Nov. 15. To Mr. Turner for votes of the last parliament 1 li. 9s. 6d. Dec. 8. To Edward Morley for recasting the Towns Bell and carriage 5s. 7d.

[Page 71.] 1733. May 5. Paid Mr. Crawshaw for Deels to make a case for the Leathern pipes in the Church 5 li. 7s.

[Charge on the Town account 241 li. 10s. 9½d. disbursements 108 li. 7s. 5¼d. Balance carried to the Navigation account 133 li. 3s. 4¼d.]

Moneys received on the account of the Navigation by Mr. John Smith.

1731. Nov. 22. Widow Hirst borrowed at 4½ li. per cent. 100 li. 25. Mr. Samuel Staniforth borrowed at 4½ per cent. 100 li. Mr. Radford laid out by the town 2 li. 12s. Feb. 22. Mr. Radford, being the dividend for their ten shares due 13th May, 27 li.[2] Sept. 19. Mr. Radford, being the second Dividend to Christmas 1731 18 li. Mr. Radford for half a years interest of 100 li. at 4½ per cent. 2 li. 5s. Also the Interest of 50li. for two months and two weeks 10s. 1733. May 7. Mr. Joseph Steer, being the Dividends for the ten shares to Christmas 1732 30 li. with the balance of the account above 133 li. 3s. 4¼d. 413 li. 10s. 4¼d.

[Page 72.] Moneys disbursed on account of the Navigation by Mr. John Smith.

1731. Nov. 25. Mrs. Ferrand for interest due this day 15 li. 16s. 3d. [also various payments of interest.] Nov. 25. Mrs. Heaton an assessment for the Towns ten shares in the Navigation 5 li. per cent. 50 li. Feb. 22. Mr. Radford for Mr. Heaton, the second call of the united proprietors for ten shares 50 li. 1732. June 26. Mr. Thomas Heaton the third call of the united proprietors for ten shares 50 li. Sept. 19. Mr. Joseph Steer the fourth call of the united proprietors for ten shares 50 li. Feb. 17. Mr. Joseph Steer the fifth call for the Towns ten shares in the Navigation 50 li.

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[1] Query, a Russian prince.

[2] The town now begins to receive some return on its heavy outlay for the Navigation.

[Charge on the Navigation 413 li. 10s. 4¼d. discharge 333 li. 12s. 3d. balance 79 li. 18s. 1¼d.]

13 Jany., 1734. At a publick meeting of the Freeholders pursuant to notice six days before for them to meet to choose an assistant in the room of Mr. Thomas Heaton deceased, Mr. Thomas Allen, Mr. Tobias Lee, and Mr. Henry Young were named candidates, and by a majority of Twenty four Freeholders then present the said Mr. Thomas Allen was duly elected in the place of an assistant.

At the same meeting it was unanimously agreed and ordered that no Lease made by the Burgesses of any of the Towns land should be made for any longer Term than Twenty one years.

[Page 73.] 22nd May, 1735. [Meeting to choose Collector in place of Mr. George Steer. upwards of 40 freeholders present. Thomas Young chosen Town Collector; George Steer assistant in Young's room.

At the same meeting George Steer's account was passed. Charge 325 li. 19s. 1d. discharge 295 li. 12s. 7½d. Balance 30 li. 6s. 5½d. Stated at 26 li. 6s. 5½d.]

[Page 74.] [Account of George Steer 1733-1734. Charge 275 li. 19s. 1d. Navigation 50 li.—325 li. 19s. 1d. including this entry, "Received for the use of the Hall from a company of Players 15s."]

Discharge [among other items the following]. Aug. 15. Paid Samuel Ainsworth and two others feighing the Pond well 2s. Aug. 27. Spent at Mrs. Woods, as by Receipt, consulting about entertaining the Duke of Norfolk and petitioning him about the workhouse and shambles 4s. 31. Paid Mrs. Horsfield, as by receipt, for wine about entertaining the Duke of Norfolk 2 li. 14s. 4d. Nov. 16. Spent at Mrs. Horsfields as by receipt when we paid Captain Briggs 100 li. 6s. Dec. 7. Gave at Lord Maltons amongst servants, equal with the Master Cutler 8s. May 23. Paid Mr. John Smith for the presents of knives, &c., made to the window peeper 10s. 6d.[1] Dec. 16. Paid Mr. Smith for the Window Peeper 12s. 6d. Dec. 30. Paid Robert Littlewood his bill for the pump setting at the Castle Laith 7 li. 2s.

[Page 76.] 22nd May. Paid Mr. Watson in full of his bill for wine to the Towns hall when we treated the Duke of Norfolk 2 li. 18s.

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[1] The "window peeper" was a district surveyor of taxes whose duty it was to assess the window tax. He does not seem to have been above receiving presents. See also note page 325.

Concerning the Lamps. Dec. 4, 1734. Paid Mrs. Parkin for the Lamps 3 li. 15s. 11d. Spent at Mrs. Horsfields at a meeting about the Lamps 4s. 6d. May 15, 1735. Paid George Close bill for the Lamps as by receipt 3s. 8d. 17. Paid Mr. Blackburne for his Lamps 15s. 19. Paid James Creswick carriage of the Lamps 5s. 6d. 21. Paid Samuel Bright attending the lamps last year 1 li. Paid Nicholas Milner his Bill for Iron work about the Lamps 3 li. 8s. 11d. Mr. Thomas Buck for Oil 16s. 1d.

Disbursements on account of the Navigation. June 12, 1733. Paid Mr. Joseph Steer a sixth call for the Navigation as by receipt 50 li. Oct. 30. Paid Mr. Joseph Steer for a first call to the Navigation after the Companies were united[1] 50 li. [various payments of interest to various persons.] Charge 325 li. 19s. 1d. discharge 301 li. 17s. 7½d. balance 24 li. 1s. 5½d.

[Page 77.] 26th Sept. 1735. [public meeting to choose an assistant in place of Mr. James Crawshaw deceased. 47 freeholders were present, and Mr. John Ellison chosen with one consent.]

At the same meeting Mr. Thomas Young, the Towns collector, declared to the Freeholders his intent of buying the King's arms for an ornament for the Hall and desired their consent; and the freeholders accordingly agreed that the said Mr. Young do buy the King's arms and that the same be placed over the chair in the Hall and that the expense thereof be allowed in his accounts.

26th May 1737. [Meeting to choose a collector in the Room of the late Mr. Thomas Young deceased. Upwards of 30 freeholders were present. Mr. Thomas Allen was chosen unanimously collector for the two years ensuing.

At the same meeting to choose an assistant. Mr. Benjamin Steer, Mr. Richard Wright, and Mr. Thomas Cawton, were nominated as candidates, and by a majority of 61 freeholders present Mr. Benjamin Steer was duly elected in the roome of Mr. Thomas Allen who is chose collector.]

[At the same meeting Mr. Thomas Young's accounts were produced. charge 401 li. 8s. 4d. discharge 352 li. 13s. 7½d. balance—48 li. 14s. 8½d.] [Signed by 16 Freeholders.]

At the same time it was mentioned in the Hall by Mr. Lyon and other freeholders that Mr. George Steer had left

[1] The Cutlers' Company and the Corporation of Doncaster relieved themselves from the powers and obligations granted by the Navigation Bill of May 6th, 1726, by obtaining an Act transferring such powers in 150 shares to subscribers incorporated as The Company of Proprietors of the Navigation of the River Don.

thirty pounds unaccounted for in the year he served as collector, which being demanded of him, He in the open Hall acknowledged and has promised to pay the same in six months to Mr. Allen the Town collector.

[Page 78.] The account of Mr. Thomas Young, Collector of the Rents of the Town of Sheffield for the years 1735 and 1736.

Charge 321 li. 8s. 4d. including 100 li. borrowed of William Battie junr. at 4 per cent. also the Navigation dividend for 1734 60 li.

Discharge on the Towns account. [Among other entries the following.] Sept. 21. Spent at Mrs. Horsefield's in treating Mr. Parkin of London 1 li. 3s. 21. Gave the masons that assisted at the fire at Case's house 2s. 6d. Oct. 9. Mary Clarke for Drinkings 14s. 6d. 1735. Jany. 26. paid for a cry to put down Gaming houses 4d. Sept. 9. To the Ringers when Lord Lovatt[1] was in Town 2s. 6d. July 8. James Truelove for Iron work for the Kings Arms 14s. 7d. Sep. 27. Jonathan Rutter for gilding and painting the Arms 8 li. 10s. 28. Thomas Hanstling for the board for the Arms per receipt 4 li. 3s. Oct. 6. Mr. Watson for wine when we went to see Mr. Eyre 19s. 5d. Mrs. Horsfield for the like and Tobacco 1 li. os. 10d. 13. Spent at Mr. Watson's for a Treat for the justices at the Sessions 1 li. 8s. 5d. Oct. 19, J. Littlewood and Samuel Bright at the fire at Boot and Shoe 2s. 6d. Feb. 13. Spent at Mr. Watson's in treating Mr. Wilkinson per receipt about the New Church 1 li. 1s. 10d. March 2. John Bingham for varnishing the Baze viole 5s.

Disbursements for the Lamps. 1735. Sept. 14. Paid for a Lamp to George Close 12s. 29. Joseph Woolhouse for glasing a Lamp in Benjamin Pearson's time 3s. Nov. 15. George Close for five lamps 3 li. 19. Samuel Bright for oyle to pay in Mr. George Steers time 1s. 11d. 1736. Sept. 11. paid Mr. Allen a bill for Oyle per receipt 3 li. 16s 8½d. April 8. Samuel Bright for lighting the lamps 1 li 12s. 6d. Sept. 11. A Bill to Nicholas Milner for Lamp Irons 2 li. 14s. 10½d. 25. Nicholas Milner for Iron work about the lamps per receipt 10s. 9d. Jan. 7. George Close for a Lamp for Mr. Eyre 12s. 26. Darby Hirst for fixing the Lamps per receipt 3 li. 3s. 4. George Close for a Lamp and a Lamp mending 12s. 10d. 8. Nicholas Milner for Iron work,

[1] Simon Fraser, Lord Lovat, a man "all things by turns but nothing long." After supporting both the Hanoverian and the Stuart interests, he ended by espousing the cause of the Young Pretender in 1745, and was beheaded at the Tower 9th April, 1747.

the Lamps and the Towns Hall Chimneys 2 li. 2s. 8d. 25. Mr. Allen for oyle, per receipt, for the Lamps 3 li. 17s. 10½d. [Various payments for Interest on borrowed money at 4 and 4½ per cent., amounting to 81 li. 16s.]

1735. Moneys paid on the Navigation account. Nov. 6. Paid Mr. Joseph Steer for a proxy for Mr. John Smith to vote for the Towns shares 13s. 6d. 6. Mr. Joseph Steer for a call for the Navigation for 1734 50 li. 12. Mr. Joseph Steer for a certificate for Mr. Smith to vote for the Towns shares of the Navigation 2s.

Paid in the Hall. May 26. paid John Bentley his bill on account of the Lamps 1 li. 18s. 3d. George Close for a street lamp 12s. 6d. Nicholas Milner his bill on account of the Lamps 4s. 4d. John Carr for opening the Towns sough at West bar end 6s. The accomptants sallary 3 li.

Charge 401 li. 8s. 4d. Discharge 352 li. 12s. 8d. Balance 48 li. 15s. 8d.

[Page 83.] 4th Jany., 1738. At a publick meeting of freeholders [due notice &c.] to choose an assistant in the Roome of the late Mr. George Steer deceased. Mr. Joseph Steer, Mr. Wm. Lyon, and Mr. John Jennings were nominated as candidates, and the freeholders then present with one consent choose the said Mr. Joseph Steer an assistant.

28th April, 1739. At a public meeting [due notice &c.] to choose an assistant in the roome of Mr. Thomas Allen deceased. Mr. J. Nodder, Mr. Warton Briddon, and Mr. Robert Downes were named as candidates, there being upwards of sixty freeholders present, and the said Mr. John Nodder was duly elected into the place of an assistant by a very great majority.

7th June, Thursday before Whit-Sunday. At a publick meeting of the freeholders for choosing a Collector in the roome of Mr. Allen deceased, and for taking the accounts of the said Mr. Allen, whereof publick notice was given by the Bellman, with one consent of all the freeholders present Mr. John Ellison was chose Collector for two years ensuing.

[Page 84.] Memorandum. the blank leaves between this and the beginning of Mr. Ellison's accounts were left for the entry of the late Mr. Allen's accounts, but they are not yet found.

[Pages 85, 86, 87, and 88 are blank.]

[Page 89.] The account of Mr. John Ellison, Towns Collector, for the years 1739 and 1740.

Charge. [538 li. 2s. 4d., including 100 li. borrowed of Mrs. Ferrand; 194 li. 11s. 4d. rental for the two years; three Navigation dividends respecting 43 li. 6s. 8d., 43 li. 6s. 8d., and 47 li. 15s.]

Discharge. [Among the items the following.] 1739. June 16. Spent at the Cock, being the Proclamation 1 li. os. 11d. Aug. 28. Paid a Navigation Call 50 li. Oct. 8. Spent at Mr. Watson's at a meeting with Mr. Eyre to consult about the Shambles 11s. Nov. 15. To Miss Laughton a years interest for 100 li. 4 li. Nov. 20. paid Mr. Gilbert Dixon for making a Rentall and for the trouble he had about Chesterfield Turnpike 1 li. 10s. 6d. Paid to Mr. Joseph Steer 5s. he gave to Lord Malton's servants 5s. Dec. 10. gave to Lord Malton's servants 5s. 20. paid a Navigation Call 50 li. March 10. Paid the Overseers of the Poor 20 li., which money was given to the Town towards the Relief of the Poor 20 li. 1740. May 6th. Paid a Navigation Call 50 li. June 9. Paid for the Evening Post, the votes &c. from Nov. 15 to Lady day last 1 li. 19s. 11½d. Nov. 6. paid Mr. Giddings, of London, for the Evening Post, votes, &c., to Michaelmas 1740 1 li. 3s. 11½d. 8. Spent at a meeting at Horsefield's to consult about treating the Bishop of Gloster [1] 10s. 5d. 16. To the Ringers when the Bishop came to consecrate the New Church 5s. To the soldiers for keeping the Rabble out of the Church 5s. paid a Navigation Call 50 li. 19. To Mr. Watson the expences of the Bishop of Gloster's servants, horses, &c. 5 li. 12s. 11d. 22. Spent at Mr. Watsons at a meeting to consult about a Turnpike from Manchester 11s. April 10. Paid Mr. Joseph Steer for a Frock for John Fymar to light the Lamps in 8s. 3d. 21. For oyle of Turpentine to light the Lamps 1s. May 5. Paid Samuel Bright half a years sallary due Lady day last 2 li. Also paid him 1 li. 1s., which is allowed him yearly for looking after vagrants 1 li. 1s. Also paid him for Coales, candles, &c. 3s. 10d. Paid Mr. Giddings, of London, for the News to Lady day 2 li. 13s. 8½d. 22. paid Jeremiah Hancock for Ten gallons of Ale given at the Bonefire when the news came that Cartagena [2] was taken 13s. 4d. To the Ringers 5s. Spent at Mr. Watsons upon the same occasion 1 li. 16s. 8d.

Charge 538 li. 2s. 4d. discharge 500 li. 14s. 7½d. Balance 37 li. 7s. 8½d.

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[1] Dr. Martin Benson, Bishop of Gloucester, consecrated St. Paul's Church, Sheffield, in 1740.

[2] Carthagena, in South America, was unsuccessfully besieged by Admiral Vernon in 1741. Were the Burgesses deceived by false news of the capture?

[Page 93.] 4th June, 1741. These accounts were this day delivered in, examined, and allowed by all the freeholders present [due notice, &c.] for this purpose and for the choosing a new Collector in Mr. Ellison's room, and a new assistant, when the freeholders present unanimously chose Mr. Gilbert Roberts, Collector for two years next coming, and also unanimously chose Mr. Ellison again an assistant; and Mr. Ellison paid the Balance of this account 37 li. 7s. 8½d., into the hands of the new Collector, Mr. Roberts, and with which he is to stand charged in his account.

Monday, the Eighth Day of February, 1741 [2]. At a public meeting of the Freeholders, pursuant to Notice given by the Bellman, to choose a Town Clerke in the Room of Thomas Wright, gentleman, deceased, Mr. John Redfearne, Mr. Samuel Dawson, and Mr. Gilbert Dixon were candidates for that office, when, after a Poll taken, the said Samuel Dawson was duly elected Town Clerke by a majority of Thirty voices.

At the same meeting, pursuant to notice given by the Bellman for the Freeholders to meet and choose an assistant in the Room of Mr. John Ellison deceased, Mr. William Watson, Mr. Wm. Hawley, and Mr. Joshua Cawton were nominated as candidates, and the freeholders then present unanimously chose the said Mr. Watson an Assistant.

[Page 94.] 19th May, 1743, Thursday before Whitsuntide. At a publick meeting of the Freeholders, pursuant &c., to choose a Collector in the room of Mr. Gilbert Roberts, and an assistant instead of the assistant who is to be chose Collector, the Freeholders present unanimously chose Mr. Benjamin Steer, Town Collector for two years ensuing, and the said Mr. Gilbert Roberts again assistant.

At the same meeting the accounts of Mr. Gilbert Roberts were read and his vouchers produced, and his charge on account of the Town and Navigation as follows in this book, being seven hundred and thirty seven pounds and four pence halfe penny, and his Discharge on these accounts amounting to seven hundred and thirty six pounds fourteen shillings and Ten pence farthing, there remains a Ballance in his hands upon the whole of Five shillings and six pence Farthing, which being paid to his successor, Mr. Benjamin Steer, discharges the said account (errors excepted). [Signed by 16 Freeholders.]

[Page 95.] [The accounts of Gilbert Roberts, Towns Collector, for the years 1741 and 1742.

Charge 737 li. os. 4½d., including four Navigation dividends.] Received of Widow Atkin Two guineas in part of rent Due for the Irish Cross.

Discharge. [The following among other items.] July 5. paid Mr. John Smith the eleventh Navigation call 50 li. April 23. paid to Mr. Robert Giddins for News and votes 1 li. 19s. 3½d. May 10. paid to Mr. Shore the twelfth Navigation call 50 li. paid Mr. Gilbert Dixon for drawing the petition to have the Scotch Grays removed 5s. Aug. 12. paid to Mr. Shore 13th Navigation call 50 li. Sept. 23rd. gave John Timm when he went for a warrant for the players, went twice 5s. 6d. Dec. 7. paid to Mr. Samuel Simmons Giddins News and votes 2 li. 2s. 10d. paid Mr. Joseph Steer, being 14th Navigation call 50 li. 14. Spent at Rotherham when Mr. Steer, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Watson went for a warrant for Mr. Woofend(ale) 8s. June 21. Gave John Timm when he went to Indite Mr. Woofendale at Doncaster Sessions, for charges Horse hire 7s. March 14. paid Mr. Joseph Steer 15th Navigation Call 50 li. May 6. To Mr. Simmons for Giddins News and votes 2 li. 4s. 8d.

Friday, 27th July, 1744. [Meeting to choose an assistant in the room of Mr. Joseph Steer deceased. Mr. John Shirecliffe, Mr. Joseph Steer, and Mr. Leonard Webster were named by Mr. Benjamin Steer, the Towns Collector. Mr. Leonard Webster was elected by a great majority.]

[Page 99.] 30 May, 1745. [Meeting to choose a Collector in the room of Mr. Benjamin Steer and an assistant. Mr. John Nodder was chosen Collector and Benjamin Steer again assistant.

At the same meeting Benjamin Steer's accounts were examined and allowed. Charge 524 li. 14s. 1¼d. Discharge 508 li. 8s. 7½d. Balance 16 li. 5s. 5¾d.

Signed by John Nodder, Samuel Shore, John Smith, Gilbert Roberts, Leonard Webster, William Watson, Matthew Lambert, Thomas Waterhouse, Joshua Cawton, John T. Younge, John Wait, Christopher Holmes, Isaac Nodder, Ed. Creswick, Joseph Leathley, Will. Staniforth, Mark Skelton, Math. Mears.

[Page 100.] Benjamin Steer's accounts 1743 1744.

Charge 524 li. 14s. 1¼d. [including four half years "rent" of the River Dun Company 51 li., 54 li. 10s., 54 li. 10s., and 58 li. 7s. 11d.]

Discharge. [The following among other items.] 1743. June 2. Paid a messenger for going to Worksop and Aston, and the expences of the Churchwardens and waiters for two days to attend on the Bishop 1 li. 7s. 6d. 20. paid at meet-

ing at the Cock when the news came concerning Dettingham [1] Fight 18s. paid the Ringers the same time 6s. May 25. Paid the 16th Call of the River Dun Company 50 li. Sept. 20th. paid for the River Dun Company the 17th Call 50 li. Jan. 10th. Paid Mr. Garnet [2] for printed receipts 8s. 16. paid the 18th Call of the River Dun Company 50 li. March 14th. paid for ale for John Burgin about the Roieters 6d. April 2d. paid Mr. Gilbert Dickinson for Drawing up a petition about the printed Linen bill, and two meetings at the Cutlers Hall 10s. 6d. 12. paid Mr. Gibbins (? Giddin's) bill for the News 3 li. 9s. 7d. May 29. paid at the Norfolk arms at a meeting, being the King's Restoration day 1 li. 1s. paid at "the Rose and Crown." 30. paid the 19th Call for the River Dun Company 50 li. 31. paid at the King head at a meeting to chose a burgess in the room of Mr. Joseph Steer 5s. 7d. Sept, 3. paid for getting the Cuck stool out of the river 1s. Oct. 10. paid to treat Justice Buck and to the Towns Gentlemen, and when the Sessions should have been at Sheffield, and for other business done 18s. 10d. Nov. 5. paid at the three Flower deluces, being the 5th of November 2 li. 19s. Feb. 11. paid the 20th Call for the River Dun Company 50 li. May 23. paid Mr. Samuel Simmons for Gidin's News 3 li. 11s. 6d.

[Page 104.] 3d Jany , 1746. [Public meeting to choose an assistant instead of Mr. Benjamin Steer deceased. Mr. John Shirecliffe, Mr. Joseph Steer, and Mr. Francis Fenton were nominated as candidates by Mr. Nodder, the Collector, and Mr. John Shirecliffe was by a majority of three voices declared duly elected.] [Signed by 13 Freeholders.]

[Page 105.] 11th June, 1747. [Thursday in Whit week. A public meeting to choose a Collector in the Room of Mr. John Nodder and an assistant in the room of the new Collector. The freeholders unanimously chose Mr. William Watson Collector and Mr. John Nodder assistant.]

[At the same meeting Mr. Nodder's accounts were produced with the vouchers.

Charge 1291 li. 17s. 0¾d. discharge 1287 li. 1s. 11d. Balance 4 li. 15s. 1¾d.] [Signed by 13 Freeholders.]

[Page 107.] The accounts of Mr. John Nodder, Towns Collector, for the years 1745 and 1746:

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[1] Dettingen, taken by George II. June, 1743. See Lord Stanhope's History of England.

[2] John Garnett, printer, at the Castle Green head, near the Irish Cross, 1736-1745. See "Reminiscences of Old Sheffield," page 107.

Charge, 1291 li. 17s. 0¾d. [including two years rent 203 li. 6s. 10d. Navigation rent Michaelmas 1745 77 li. 1s. 3d., Lady Day 1746 77 li. 1s. 3d., Michaelmas 1746 80 li. 12s. 6d. Mr. Smith for use of the Town hall 3 li. 3s.]

Discharge. [contains among others the following items.] 20th call for the River Dun 50 li. Sept. 23. To expences going to York to attend the general meeting as by an order in the Hall 3 li. 8s. 6d. 27. To spent at meeting at Mr. Benjamin Steers when consulting about the subscription 9s. 3d. 28. To expences going to Lord Malton's about the subscription, servants, 1 li. 6s. October 1st. To John Burgin for himself and horse to Lord Malton's per order 3s. 6d. 10th. To expences at Lord Malton's when we went about raising the Blews 2s. 6d. 11th. To expended at the Cock[1] on the Coronation day and given the Troopers as per receipt 6 li. 5s. 15th. To Mr. Smith for his expences going to Lord Malton's 2s. 6d. 20 and 22. To expences at Lord Malton's when went about officers for the Blews 3s. October 31. To Lister[2] for printing advertisements 3s. November 7. To Mr. Lambert in part of Towns subscription 50 li. To spent at Mr. Anderton's when Captain Buck was there 8s. Dec. 23. To the Ringers when the news came that Admiral Townsend had taken the Martinico ships 2s. 6d. Jan. 28. To Mr. Dale as per bill for guns 41 li. 12s. 7d. Feb. 18. To Mr. Broadbent paid 22nd call of Navigation 50 li. 1746. April 18. To expended at the Cock on the news defeat of the Rebels, per Mr. Roberts, 3 li. 1s. 6d. To coals that night 2s. 4d. To the Ringers, Master Cutler paid half 5s. 3d. July 15. To the Ringers for ringing sundry times when the soldiers came in 1 li. 1s. To Francis Simpson for Watt under water 2s. September 16th. To John Shore for Base viol as per receipt 3 li. 3s. 26. To expences at Mr. Watson's Inn at a Towns meeting 8s. 4d. October 21. paid Gidding's for Newspapers 4 li. 9s. 5d. To spent at Mr. Leonard Webster's 1 li. 12s. 6d. To expences at a meeting at Mr. B. Steers 6s. 4d. Feb. 9. To a letter from Rev. Mr. Robinson[3] 4d. To expences at meeting at the Cock about Mr. Robinson money 4s. 6d. 24. To expences at Mr. Watson's, jnr., about the players, &c., 5s. 6d. April 15. To [the Ringers] for ringing on the thanksgiving day and sundry times which they had no pay for 1 li. 1s. May 13. paid Francis Simpson for mending wall under water 2s. To

[1] The Cock was in High street. See *Sheffield Local Register*, p. 46.

[2] Francis Lister, printer, near the Shambles. He was supposed, according to "Reminiscences of Old Sheffield," to have begun business in 1754. The above entry shows him at work in 1745.

[3] Probably Vicar of Norton.

spent when we agreed with Mr. Smith to allow for having the Auction in the Town hall 5s. June 9th. To John Jackson paid Mr. Simmons for Newspapers 3 li. 18s. 5d. To Mr. Broadbent paid Mr. Radford the 23 call for the Navigation 50 li. Do. paid 24 Call for River Dun 50 li. To Mr. Shore paid Mr. Radford the 25th call for the River Dun 50 li. paid the Ringers by Mr. Roberts when the victory was obtained over the French by Anson and Warren [1] which was omitted before 5s. Paid for treating the Justices at the Sessions 19s.

[Page 113.] At a publick meeting of the Freeholders at the Town Hall on Friday, the 12th day of February 1747, pursuant to the notice given by the Bellman for considering and regulating the affairs of the Town. It was unanimously agreed that the sum of Twenty shillings and no more shall be hereafter allowed to and expended by the Town Collector for the Time being in Treating the Freeholders on any of the several publick days hereafter mentioned, viz.: The King's restoration, the King's accession, the King's Coronation, and on the Fifth day of November in every year. And that the Town Collector for the time being shall not treat the Freeholders at the Towns expence on any other publick Days in the year than those aforementioned.

And at the same meeting it was also unanimously agreed by the Freeholders present: That Ten new Lamps should be forthwith fixt and put up in the several parts of the Town hereafter mentioned, viz., one in the middle of the Hartshead, one at the North Gate of the Old Church yard, one near Mr. Broadbent's house, one in the middle of the Bull stake, one at the corner of Wilson's house Pond lane, one at the end of Change alley, one at the head of Dixon lane, one at Samuel Leathley's house in Norfolk street, one near the House of Mr. Elliot in Alsop Fields, and one at the bottom of Dixon lane. And for the more effectually Lighting the Town and preventing any disorders being committed in the night it was agreed that such a Quantity of oil shall be allowed to be used in every one of the Lamps, as well new as old, as that the lights thereof may continue all the night or the greatest part thereof. And it was likewise agreed that the Person employed or to be hereafter employed by the Town Collector for the Time being to Light, clean, and take care of the Lamps shall be allowed a yearly sallary of Four pounds. [Signed by 17 Freeholders.]

[Page 114.] 19th May 1749. [Meeting of freeholders to chose a Collector in the room of Mr. William Watson and an

[1] Admirals Anson and Sir Peter Warren defeated the French fleet off Cape Finisterre 8th May, 1747.

assistant in the new Collectors room. Mr. Leonard Webster was unanimously chosen Collector, and Mr. William Watson again an assistant.]

[At the same meeting Mr. Watson's accounts were produced. Charge 553 li. 14s. 0¾d. discharge 549 li. 2s. 11d., leaving a balance 4 li. 8s. 1¾d., which was paid to his successor.]

At the same meeting it was agreed that the Town Collector for the time being shall pay to the Ringers a yearly sallary of Five guineas and no more for ringing the Bells on Sundays, Rejoicing days, and on all other usual occasions. Except when they ring by the order of the Town Collector on account of any nobleman or person of distinction coming to town. [Signed by 14 Freeholders.]

[Page 115,] The accounts of Mr. William Watson, Town Collector, for the years 1747 1748.

Charge [including half years rent for the Towns ten shares of the River Dun 80 li. 12s. 6d.; do. 82 li. 7s. 6d.; do. 82 li. 7s. 6d.; do. 85 li. 5s. 5d. 1748. June 4. Received for lead from the Irish cross 6 li. Jany. 25. Received for wood from the Irish Cross 1 li., and for brick from the same place 1 li.—2 li. Two years rental 203 li. 13s. 8d.

Discharge. [among other items the following.] July 5. Spent at a meeting to answer Sir Miles Stapleton's [1] letter concerning the York election 15s. July 11th. paid the Ringers when Lady Malton came to Town 5s. 25th. paid Do. on news of the King of Sardinia's success 10s. 6d. August 14. Spent at a meeting to consult whether the waits might have coats and hatts or no 3s. 4d. Oct. 22. paid Mr. Simmons for the News and gazette 2 li. os. 8d. 23. paid Mr. Radford 50 li., being the 26 Call for the Ten Shares of the River Dun belonging to the Town 50 li. paid Lister, the printer, for advertisements relating to Horned Cattle 10s. Dec. 29. paid Wm. Duty for letting the water off and cleaning the Channell at Barker pool 5s. Expending on the helpers to Quench two fires which happened at the Town hall 3s. Feb. 9. paid the expences going to Justice Wentworth [2] 10s. 6d.

[Page 117.] Feb. 5. paid Mr. Gamaliel Milner, [3] being the 27th Call for the Town's Shares for the River Dun 50 li.

[1] Sir Miles Stapylton, Bart., and Sir Conyers D'Arcy, Knight, elected members for York County 8 July, 1747. Henry Viscount Downe was elected 25th April, 1750, vice Sir Miles Stapylton, appointed one of fhe Commissioners of Customs.

[2] Probably Godfrey Wentworth, Esq., of Wolley, who died 18th January, 1789, aged 84.

[3] Gamaliel Milner, of Attercliffe, second son of Gamaliel Milner, of Burton Grange, buried at Attercliffe old chapel 4th May, 1748, aged 48.

April 1. paid Mr. Simmons for news and gazette 1 li. 17s. 6d. 13. paid to the Jury at the Swan as usual 10s. Oct. 5. paid Mr. Samuel Staniforth for the 28th Call on account of the Navigation 50 li. 6. paid Mr. Simmons for newspapers 2 li. 1s. 6d. Nov. 26. paid Mr. Anderton for 6 bottles of wine when the officers of Monteques horse were treated 12s. April 6th. paid Robert Newton, Esq., a years interest of 100 li. due 14th Dec. 4 li. paid the Clerk for reading a note in the Church 4d. 18. Spent at a meeting of the Burgesses about the dispute between Mr. Matthewman and Mr. Needham in relation to Matthewman's new erected Houses in High street 6s. 6d. 1747. May 10. Expended at the King's head when peace was concluded with France and Spain [1] 2 li. 0s. 7d. Expended on the same occasion at Mr. Watson's house, the accomptant, 2 li. 3s. Do. Do. at the Cock 1 li. 19s. Likewise at the Cutlers hall 2 li. 4s. 6d. Expended on the Company of Volunteers commonly called the Blews at Mr. Birks's 15s. 9d. paid at the same time for cockades for the Ringers, Bellman, and Beadle 8s. paid for gunpowder on that occasion 4s. 9d. and for a load of coals for the Bonefires 5s. 2d. 1749. May 14. paid Mr. Young, being the 29th Call of the River Dun Company 50 li. paid the ringers upon the account of the Peace 10s. 6d.

[Page 121.] 23 May, 1751. [Public meeting of Freeholders to choose a Collector in the room of Mr. Leonard Webster, and an assistant in the room of the new Collector. Mr. John Shirecliff was unanimously chosen Collector and Mr. Webster again an assistant.]

[At the same meeting Mr. Leonard Webster's accounts were read and his vouchers produced. Charge, 693 li. 3s. 8¾d. discharge 689 li. 13s. 4d. Balance 3 li. 10s. 4¾d., handed to the new Collector. [Signed by 10 Freeholders.]

4 April, 1751. At a publick meeting of the Freeholders, whereof notice was given by the Bellman, to chose an assistant in the room of Mr. Samuel Shore deceased. Mr. Leonard Webster, the Town Collector, proposed Mr. John Roebuck, who was unanimously elected an assistant by the Freeholders present.

[Page 122.] The accounts of Mr. Leonard Webster, Town Collector, for the years 1749 and 1750.

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[1] Peace concluded between France and Spain 1748. The treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle signed Oct. 1748.

Charge, 693 li. 3s. 8¾d., including—By cash borrowed of the Church wardens and overseers of the Poor, being a legacy left to the Poor of Sheffield by Wm. Parkin, Esq., 100 li. [1]

Discharge. [Among the items the following.] July 26. paid the Ringers for ringing for Lord Lonsdale [2] 10s. Aug. 7. paid the 30th Call for the Navigation shares 50 li. Nov. 6. Spent at the accountants house [*i.e.*, at L. Webster's, a publican] 1 li. 6s 30. Spent at a meeting about prosecuting Rollison, &c. 5s. Jan. 10. paid for lighting lamps in Lambert Street 2s. 29. Spent at a meeting about the waits, the Legacy of William Parkin, Esq., and to reduce the interest of money borrowed by the town 12s. Feb. 20. Spent at Mr. Watson's at a meeting about the American iron 8s. 6d. 21. paid at William Dixon's about the same affair 10s. 3d.[3] 1750. March 27. paid messenger with letter to Ecclesfield about Mr. Bright's money of Pontefract 8d. March 30. paid Mr. Bright his principal and interest 104 li. 10s. paid for carriage of the same to Pontefract 5s.[4] May 29. paid the printer for 500 receipts 4s. paid do. for 1000 papers against swearing 8s. July 17. Spent at a meeting about indicting the Midden stead behind the Shambles 3s. 6d. Oct 15. paid the River Don Company 50 li. Feb. 14. paid John Taylor for work, &c., at the new Lobby 14 li. 3s. 5d. 22. Expended at a meeting about the Navigation shares being transferred by Mr. John Smith to the rest of the body and nominating an assistant in the place of Mr. Shore, deceased 8s. 7d. 23. paid John Purslove for work, &c., at the new Lobby 6 li. 18s. 8d. 1751. April 8. paid 32nd call for the

[1] The report of the Charity Commissioners for 1828 says: "The sum of £4 10s. a year is paid by the Town burgesses as interest of £100 formerly paid to them, being the donation of William Parkin for decayed filesmiths and edge tool makers in the parish of Sheffield, and the money is distributed annually among 36 poor file smiths or their widows, by the Collector of the rents of the town burgesses estates." This money is still distributed (1897).

[2] Henry, third Viscount Lonsdale, died 12th March, 1751.

[3] The English Ironmasters in the 18th Century were extremely jealous of the competition of American iron. In 1736 they petitioned Parliament against the admission of iron from New England; but the merchants trading with the Colonies took a different view, and asked Parliament to admit iron from the British plantations duty free. This was met by a counter-petition from the ironmasters, and the petitions were referred to a Select Committee. The matter was then allowed to drop; but in 1750 an Act was passed permitting the importation of American iron, duty free, into London; and in 1757 it was proposed to extend this privilege to all the ports of Great Britain, and, notwithstanding strong opposition, the Bill passed into law. The above entries relate to the bill of 1750, but do not indicate the line taken by the Sheffield Burgesses. In 1756 the Sheffield tanners petitioned against free trade in iron.

[4] The primitive mode of remittance; to send the cash.

River Don Company 50 li. 15. expended at a meeting when Mr John Smith Transferred the shares of the River Don to the Town Collector and assistants 12s. May 12. paid for 3 qrs. Lamp Lighting in Lambert Street 6s. May 18. paid Mr. Simmons for news, Gazetts, votes, &c. 4 li. 15s.

[Page 126.] 2nd October 1752. [public meeting to choose an assistant in the room of John Roebuck deceased, the following were proposed, Mr. Benjamin Roebuck, Mr. Westby Hatfield, and Mr. John Milner, and after a poll taken Mr. Benjamin Roebuck was duly elected by a majority of 19 votes.] 6th June 1753. [public meeting to choose a collector in the room of Mr. John Shirecliffe and an assistant in the room of the new collector, Mr. Benjamin Roebuck was chosen collector and Mr. John Shirecliff again assistant. At the same meeting Mr. John Shirecliff's accounts were read and vouchers produced. charge 1255 li. 3s. 7¼d. discharge 1134 li. 16s. Balance 120 li. 7s. 7¼d. [Signed] Benjamin Roebuck, John Smith,[1] Gilbert Roberts, George Ashforth.

[Page 127.] Charge 1255 li. 3s. 7¼d. Discharge [the following among other items]. paid the Bellman for crying down counterfeit halfpence 3d. July 27. paid Lister for advertisements concerning counterfeit halfpence 10s. Oct. 31. paid Mr. Gibson his principal and interest 109 li. 10s. paid Mr. Webster for his trouble and expense going to Doncaster to pay do. 12s. 6d. Nov. 7. paid a Navigation call 50 li. paid the overseers of the poor the interest of 100 li. left by Mr. Parkin of London 4 li. 10s. 1752 Feb. 14. Expended at Mr. Webster's at a meeting about Broughton prosecution against Mr. Milner 2s. 6d.

[Page 129.] Expended at the Distribution of the money which the bad half pence was sold for, and appointing a Bellman in the room of John Burgin 10s. 9d. May 5. paid the Navigation Call 50 li. paid for the repair of the Almshouses in Blind lane 2s. 2d. Expended at Mr. Webster's at a consultation who was proper to be named to suceeed Mr. John Roebuck 7s. 1d. paid for Councillors opinion concerning the Hanging of gates to divide the Township of Sheffield and Nether Hallam 10s. 6d. paid for Feighing Bow[er] Spring 2s. paid a Navigation call 50 li.

[Page 130.] paid for a hang lock and two keys for the Church gates 1s. 4d. paid for breaking open a chest in the

[1] This is the last time John Smith's signature appears. It is that of an old man. His first signature appears in 1727, a round, firm hand. He died 15th Nov., 1753, aged 69. Buried in Nether Chapel yard.

Town hall 6d. paid Derby Hirst for Cupulow Engine and Lamp posts 33 li. os. 8d. paid Simpson and Brownell for going several days about the Town to disperse papers against the practice of throwing at Cocks[1] 5s. 1753. May 4. paid Robert Jenkinson for shooting the Cupulow[2] at Towns hall, he finding material 18s. 10d. paid Aaron Loton for repairing Lamps, Engine, and work done at the Town hall 21 li. 14s. 7d. paid Mr. Gilbert Dixon for his trouble and attendance about the Court of Conscience[3] 1 li. 1s. paid Wm. Simpson for his trouble and expences going to Wakefield to prevent Mr. Downes going to York as an evidence in the cause against the Constable &c., for searching the Jew's box &c. 6s. Expended in Liquor at the Town hall at different times about the Court of Conscience 3s.

Charge 1255 li. 3s. 7¼d. Discharge 1134 li. 16s. Balance 120 li. 7s. 7¼d., which he paid to his successor, Mr. Roebuck.

[Page 134.] Wednesday, 14th Nov., 1753. At a public meeting of the Freeholders at the Town hall, pursuant to notice given by the Belman. Mr. Benjamin Roebuck, the Town Collector, acquainted the Freeholders present with a

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[1] For an account of the strange and cruel practice of throwing at cocks on Shrove Tuesday see Brand's *Popular Antiq.* and Howe's *Everyday Book*, 1826, p. 251.

[2] Welding the metal plates of the dome together. For "shoot" in the sense of "weld" or unite; see Addy's *Sheffield Glossary*.

[3] Blackstone's Commentaries, 16th Edition (1825), Vol. III,, page 80:—"But there is one species of courts constituted by Act of Parliament, in the city of London, and other trading and populous districts, which in their proceedings so vary from the course of the common law, that they may deserve a more particular consideration. I mean the courts of Requests or courts of Conscience, for the recovery of small debts. The first of these was established in London so early as the reign of Henry the eighth, by an act of their common council; which, however, was certainly insufficient for that purpose and illegal, till confirmed by statute 3 Jac. I. c 15, which has since been explained and amended by statute 14 Geo. II. c 10. The constitution is this: Two aldermen, and four commoners, sit twice a week to hear all causes of debt not exceeding the value of forty shillings; which they examine in a summary way, by the oath of the parties or other witnesses, and make such order therein as is consonant to equity and good conscience. The time and expense of obtaining this summary redress are very inconsiderable, which makes it a great benefit to trade. And thereupon divers trading towns and other districts have obtained acts of parliament, for establishing in them Courts of Conscience upon nearly the same plan as that in the City of London." The Sheffield Burgery seems to have contemplated the establishment of such a Court. Birmingham obtained one in 1752, and the example probably fired the ambition of Sheffield. The Birmingham Act expressly reserved the jurisdiction of the ancient Court Baron held by the Lord of the Manor of Birmingham. On mature deliberation, Sheffield rested content with the service of the Manor Courts. See several subsequent payments in the matter, including one of £20 to Mr. Battie, attorney, in 1754, page 378.

proposal of the Master, Wardens, Searchers, and Assistants of the Company of Cutlers to erect at the joint and equal expense of the Town and Corporation, a Building in the Town of Sheffield, as well for the more convenient transacting of publick business as for the more commodious reception and entertainment of company on publick occasions, upon such plan and under such directions and regulations as to the situation, manner, and expense of the Building as by a committee to be chosen for that purpose by the Town Collector and Assistants and the said Master (&c.), shall be agreed and approved; which proposal, after due consideration, was unanimously agreed to by the Freeholders present, and the Town Collector and Assistants were by them desired to enter into a proper Treaty with the said Master, Wardens (&c.), for putting the same in execution; and impowered to raise and pay out of the Town's stock from time to time, in such manner as to them shall seem meet and convenient, all such sum and shares of money as shall be necessary to defray and discharge one half of the expense of such intended Buildings, and of all incidental charges relating thereto. As witness their hands—Obadiah Reaynes, George Ashforth, John Wait, Benjamin Withers, George Marion, Thomas Newbould, John Wilson, Isaac Dickinson, Mark Skelton, John Taylor, Benjamin Roebuck, Gilbert Roberts, Will. Watson, Leonard Webster, James Shirtcliffe, Samuel Smith, Ebenezer Roebuck, Joseph Steer, Robert Dent, Joseph Owen, William Battie junior, John Trippit, Christopher Holmes, Joseph Matthewman, John Greaves.[1]

[Page 135.] 7th Dec., 1753. At a publick meeting of the Freeholders at the Town hall, whereof a week's notice was given by the Bellman, to chuse an Assistant in the Room of the late Mr. John Smith deceased. Mr. Joseph Broadbent, Mr. Thomas Newbould, and Mr. John Greaves were named as candidates, when the Poll stood as follows, viz.: for Mr. Broadbent one hundred and seven, and for Mr. Newbould seventy one. Whereupon Mr. Broadbent was duly elected into the Place of an Assistant by a majority of thirty six votes. [Signed by 19 Freeholders.]

[Page 136.] 1755. May 29th. [Public meeting to choose a Collector in the room of Benjamin Roebuck, and an assistant in the room of the new collector (which meeting was put off from Thursday before Whit Sunday, the usual time for this business, To this day, on account of some extra affairs which were then settled). Mr. Joseph Broadbent chosen Town Collector for two years, and Benjamin Roebuck assistant.

[1] Nothing came of these negotiations, and the town and the Cutlers' Company maintained their several halls.

[Same meeting Mr. Benjamin Roebuck's accounts read. Charge 838 li. 8s. 9d. discharge 835 li. 16s. 7¾d. Balance 3 li. 12s. 1¼d. Signed by 8 Freeholders.]

[Page 137.] The accounts of Mr. Benjamin Roebuck, Town Collector, for the years 1753, 1754.

Charge 838 li. 8s. 9d. Discharge [the following among other items]. 1753. July 11. paid Simpson's charges to the M[arquis] of Rockingham[1] and horse hire with a letter 2s. 2d. Oct. 23rd. paid for ale at the Town's hall at a meeting about the Court of Conscience 6d. 29. paid Simpson for horse hire 2 days to D[uke] of Norfolk's 2s. 6d. and 1s. to a man for Lighting the Lamps in his absence 3s. 6d. Nov. 9th. Spent at Mr. Webster's at a meeting with the Master Cutler about Building a publick room 7s. 3d. 17. paid the 36th call of Navigation 50 li. 1754. Jan. 1. Spent at Thomas Watson's at a meeting about the Court of Conscience 6s. 10. Expenses at Glanvils[2] at a meeting about do, 16s. 10d. 26. paid William Hobson, Church warden, a years interest of 100 li. bequeathed by the late William Parkin, Esq., of Foster lane, London, for the use of the Poor of Sheffield 4 li. 10s. April 20th. paid Mr. Jackson for news, votes, &c. 6 li. 13s. July 2. paid 37th Call for Navigation shares 50 li. Nov. 2. paid Mr. William Battie, jun., on account of Court of Conscience 20 li.[3] 19. paid Mr. Matthewman 38th call for Navigation shares 50 li. Expenses at Mr. Watson's at a meeting about the officers druming late at nights 2s. 6d. Dec. 3. Expenses at Mr. Websters about the weights and measures 7s. 6d. 18. paid for ale for Burning the short measures 3d., and for dinners and ale at John Stevensons on the like account 16s., and for malt for measuring 10d, cord 1d.—1 li. 1s. 5d. paid to poor widows to buy new measures their old ones being taken from them as short 17s paid Stevenson, Webster, Ragg, Brownell, and Simpson for attending 3 days a piece and several Tuesdays on account of weights and measures 1 li. 5s. Dec. 31. paid Mrs. Hancocks Bill on account of a fire happening 3 li. 2s. 1755. Jan. 1. Expenses at a meeting of the Trustees of the Church, School, and Town about choosing a writing master for the Free School 7s. 3d. 13. paid 10 men watching 2 nights on disturbances committed in the town 1s. each, and

[1] Charles Watson Wentworth, second Marquis of Rockingham, succeeded his father 14th December, 1750. Died 2nd July, 1782.

[2] Samuel Glanville, landlord of the Angel Inn; ran the first stage coach to London in 1760. Died in the Shrewsbury Almshouses, 1803, aged 83. See "Reminiscences of Old Sheffield," page 99.

[3] See Note page 376.

for drink 4s. 6d.—1 li. 4s. 6d. 16. paid Simpson, Brownell, and Saunderson for do. 1 night 1s. each, and for Drink 1s. 6d.—4s. 6d. 18th. paid Lister's Bill for 500 Sermons upon weights and measures, published by the Rev. Mr. Dickenson 6 li. 5s. 27. paid Francis Listers Bill 5s. Feb. 11. paid the 39th Call for Navigation shares 50 li. 13. paid Robert Saunderson's Bill for a new pipe 7s. 2d. May 14th. paid Newsham and Ragg for engine pipes and fire capps 78 li. 7s. paid postage of 3 letters for Do., 1s. paid Freight of Engine, &c., from London 2 li. 2s. paid Do. from Hull to Tinsley 1 li. 1s. 2d. paid land carriage of Do. from Do, 6s. paid the 40th Call for Navigation shares 25 li. 19. paid John Chapman's Bill for work done at the Free writing school and B[arker] pool 4 li. 1s. 4d. paid Robert Jenkinson for work done at the Free writing school 9 li. 12s. 7d. paid John Bishop's bill for work done at the Free writing school 19 li. 6s. 20. paid subscription for the Town towards the Relief of Sufferers by the Distemper amongst Horned cattle 5 li. 5s. 24th. paid Edmund Clark's bill for Boring in search of springs 6s. May 27th. By Cash paid at sundry times on account of Prosecutions 35 li. 18s. 2¾d.

Charge 838 li. 8s. 9d. Discharge 834 li. 16s. 7¾d. Balance which was paid to his successor, Mr. Broadbent 3 li. 12s. 1¼d.

[Page 143.] 5th Nov., 1755. Memorandum. At a meeting this day at the Town Hall, Cordee (sic) was discharged from the office of one of the Towns waits for misbehaviour.

At a publick meeting of the Freeholders of the Town of Sheffield, held at the Town hall in Sheffield the 27th day of February, 1756, pursuant to notice given by the Bellman six days before, as usual, to chuse an assistant in the stead of Mr. Shirecliffe [1] (which place is now vacant by reason of the said Mr. Shirecliffe's having left the said Town, and now residing out of the same), Mr. Matthew Lambert was by the Freeholders present chosen an assistant in the place of the said Mr. John Shirecliffe.

May 22d, 1760. [Public meeting of Freeholders to chuse a Collector in the room of Mr. Joseph Broadbent, who continued in that office beyond the usual time on account of some extraordinary affairs which could not be settled within the time he was chose for. The Freeholders present unanimously chose Mr. Gilbert Roberts Town Collector for two years, to be accounted from Thursday before Whitsuntide last, and the said Mr. Joseph Broadbent again an assistant.

[1] John Shirecliffe, of Whitley Hall, succeeded his father, Thomas Shirecliffe, September, 1754. He died 13th May, 1789, and was buried at Ecclesfield.

At the same meeting the accounts of Mr. Joseph Broadbent for the years 1755 and 1756 were read, and his vouchers produced.

Charge 790 li. 17s. 0¼d. discharge 1169 li. 6s. 9¾d. leaving balance due to the Accountant 378 li. 8s. 10½d., for which he is to be allowed interest till the sum is paid to him.

And then the accounts of Mr. Matthew Lambert (who acted as Assistant to Mr. Broadbent in the office of Town Collector from 30th Nov. 1757) were read, and his vouchers produced.

Charge 2078 li. 17s. 8d. discharge 1912 li. 17s. 9¼d. Balance 165 li. 19s. 10¾d. which is agreed to be kept in his hands till the several sums advanced by himself, Mr. Broadbent, and Mr. Leonard Webster on account of the Militia are satisfied. [Signed by 10 Freeholders.]

[Page 144.] The accounts of Mr. Joseph Broadbent,[1] Town Collector.

Charge 790 li. 17s. 0¼d. including ten Navigation dividends and the rents for 1755 and 1756 203 li. 1s. 8d.

Discharge. 1755. July 10. paid S. Simmons for the Town's News 4 li. 7s. 8d. Sep. 20. paid for a new bell for the Cryer 16s. Dec. 13. paid Robert Newton, Esq.,[2] one year's interest 10 li. 1756. Jan. 9. paid S. Simmons for Towns news 2 li. 16s. 14. paid Wm. Ragg and Simpson for adjusting the Towns weights and carrying the Beam to Rotherham 6s. Jan. 20. paid Revel Homfray[3] for printing Receipts for Towns rents 3s. 26. paid forty-first call of 10 shares in the Navigation 25 li. Feb. 7. paid George Lister

[1] Joseph Broadbent, a Quaker, died in 1761, leaving two sons, Thomas and Joseph. In 1747 Joseph Broadbent first established a foreign trade with Sheffield wares. Thomas Broadbent was among those who earnestly denounced the introduction duty free of bar iron from America. He built Page Hall in 1773, opened a bank in 1778, and failed in 1780. See note page 374.

[2] Robert Newton, of Norton House, lived and died a batchelor. Hunter has rather a severe note on him, which appeared in the Local Notes and Queries column of the *Sheffield Independent* 16th Sep., 1875. He possessed a fine estate, and added field to field to the end of his days. The romance of his life was the defeat of an attempt to alienate the Offley estates, a story told with much animation by Joseph Hunter, in a little volume entitled "A True Account of the Alienation and Recovery of the Estates of the Offleys of Norton in 1754." This little volume of 80 pages was published in 1841. It is now very scarce; but I recently procured a copy from Mr. White, of Worksop.

[3] Aug. 10th, 1756.—Revel Homfrey advertised that he had purchased the printing materials and stock of the widow of the late Mr. Lister, and intended to continue printing and publishing the *Sheffield Weekly Journal* every Tuesday, as usual.—*Sheffield Local Register*, p. 47. See note, page 384.

for watching the streets, some outrages having been committed 6s. 9d. 14. paid the Constables on account of street watch 1 li. 5s. 25. paid a messenger to Chesterfield on publick Business 2s. March 3. paid to a messenger to Sir Henry Hunlock's 3s. 11. paid for Postage of Letters in relation to the Turnpike from Derby to Sheffield 11s. 1756. June 13. paid Robert Sanderson for his assistance in apprehending some Felons 10s. 6d. paid William Ragg for his assistance in Do. 10s. 6d. July 16. Expended in ale given to the populace when the Marquis of Rockingham came to Town to Inlist men into Napier's Regiment 18 li. os. 4d. 20. paid S. Simmons for the Towns news 4 li. 8s. August 3. paid 42nd and 43rd Navigation calls 50 li. 21. paid for horse hire to Justice Wrightsons concerning the Riot 7s. 6d. Sept. 2. paid Horsehire to Wentworth House on Do. 1s. 6d. 27. paid in part of Towns Subscription to Chesterfield Turnpike 60 li. Nov. 5. paid on account of Turnpike subscription 20 li. Dec. 3rd. paid 44 Navigation call 25 li.

[Page 147.] 1757. Feb. 4. paid 45 Navigation call 50 li. April 26. paid on account of Turnpikes Subscription 60 li. May 15. paid for 2 sow mettle[1] plates for Town hall fireplace 13s. 7½d. 24. paid the Ringers on the victory gain by the King of Prussia 10s. 6d. June 10. paid on account of Turnpikes subscription 40 li. 13. paid Mr. Battie and James Whitham the expences of obtaining the Discharge of the Rioters committed to York Castle 43 li. 14s. 6d.[2] paid the Ringers 5s. July 23. paid Joseph Rotherham for writing some accounts relating to the Riot 1 li. 16s. 26. paid S. Simmons for the Town's news 4 li. 13s. 6d. Sept. 6. paid for ale at the fire at Beckett's Dye house 10s. 6d. Nov. 30. paid Mr. Matthew Lambert who from this time acted as his assistant in the office of Town Collector 58 li. 7s. 11d. 1758. Jan. 21. paid Mr. W. Watson the Expences of Treating the Justices at the preceeding Sessions at Sheffield 4 li. 9s. 11d. 1759. Feb. 10. paid Mr. William Watson for expences on Napier's Recruits 4 li. 7s. 1d. paid the Town's subscription for corn for the Relief of the Poor 20 li. June 28. paid Benjamin Broadbent, the Constable, for Horse hire and attendance at York Assizes on account of the Rioters 11s. 6d. 29. paid R. Dent his Disbursements on account of the Riot 9s. 6d. July 2. paid Amos Betts on

[1] Sow metal or sar metal; coarse iron as it comes in ingots from the iron furnace.—Addy's "Sheffield Glossary."

[2] The *Sheffield Local Register* notes that there were riots in the town August, 1756. From the expenses here recorded they seem to have been very serious. It is curious that no reference occurs in the accounts to the great riots in 1774, when the military were called out.

same account 7s. paid (S. Dawson) his Bill concerning the Court Baron 8 li. 6s. 3d. May 19. paid Joseph Hancock's Bill on account of the Riot 1 li. 12s. 6d. paid Mr. Lambert Balance of riot account 9 li. 3s. 5d. paid Thomas Bramhall on same account 18s. By Balance due to the accomptant concerning prosecutions, &c., at the Town's expense 18 li. 13s. 3¼d. Total discharge 1169 li. 6s. 9¾d. error 11d.—1169 li. 5s. 10¾d. Charge 790 li. 17s. 0¼d. Balance due to the accountant for which interest is to be allowed untill paid 378 li. 8s. 10½d.—1169 li. 5s. 10¾d.

[Page 149.] The accounts of Mr. Matthew Lambert as assistant to Mr. Joseph Broadbent in the office of Town Collector.

Charge 2078 li. 17s. 8d. [including 1759 July 13. To cash paid by the overseers of the poor for the use of Sarah Bower, late Town apprentice to Mr. Ant, which he paid in their hands as a satisfaction for his Illusage of her 6 li. 1760. May 13. To cash paid for the use of Hannah Walker, late Town apprentice to Edward Duckworth, being a satisfaction for his abuse of her 20 li.

Discharge [among the items the following]. 1756. Sept. 8. paid Hydes for attending a Boy under confinement who had robbed Mrs. Pringle's house 3s. paid Montague Wortley interest 3 li. 4s. Oct. 21. paid expences at the Marquis Rockingham's 1 li. 12s. 9d. paid the militia as agreed at a Town's meeting 10 li. 10s. paid expences at that meeeting 4s. 6d. Dec. 26. paid Mr. Clay the principal and interest due on the Town's note 468 li. 1757. Feb. 6. paid cricket players on Shrove Tuesday to entertain the populous and prevent the Infamous practice at throwing at cocks 14s. 6d. 11. paid the 46 Navigation Call 25 li. paid half the expence of a meeting at Mr. Watson's relating to Turnpike affairs, the Master Cutler paying the other half 1 li. os. 6d. paid to Mr. Dawson and Mr. Fairbank Cash on Turnpike Account 31 li. 17s. 2d. paid postage of Letter from Mr. Dawson in London on Turnpike affairs 2s. 8d. March 14. paid Eli Parker his Bill for prosecuting a Felon 2 li. 9s. 8d. paid making up a wall which was thrown down at the cricket play 1s. 29. paid a Messenger to Whitley Hall on Town's Business and for horse hire 2s. June 16. paid Town's subscription to York Infirmary 2 li. 12s. 6d. June 19. paid the Ringers being a rejoycing night 10s. 6d. 29. paid the Ringers further on good news brought 10s. 6d. July 3. paid carriage of 3 books from Marine Society 1s. 31. paid Mr. Simmons for the Towns newspapers 5 li. os. 6d. August 21. paid the expences of a Publick rejoicing on the news of the

Reduction of Louisburgh[1] 6 li. 7s. 22. paid Mr. Smilter a years Rent due to the Duke of Norfolk for the Towns wastes and Premises comprised in Furnivals grant 2 li. 15s. 2½d.[2] Nov. 11. paid 47th Navigation Call 50 li. 14. paid dying Town's hall hangings 3s. 8d. 1758. March 10. paid the Ringers on news brought of the taking of Guadulupe[3] 10s 6d. May 5. paid 48th Navigation call 50 li. Sept. 4. paid a years subscription to York Infirmary 2 li. 12s. 6d. 1759. Nov. 7. paid Levelling the causeway near the Engine house 1s. Dec. 3. paid the Ringers on good news brought 10s. 6d. May 5. paid Joseph Rotherham for writing a petition to Parliament 5s. paid 49th Navigation call 40 li. paid Mr. William Battie on account of Town's subscription to the Derbyshire turnpike 100 li. paid Mr. Dawson account of Town's subscription to the Turnpike Road to Wakefield 100 li. paid Mr. Dawson, Town Clerk, 2 years sallary 12 li. 6s.

[Page 155.] To Charge 2078 li. 17s. 8d. To Discharge 1912 li. 17s. 9¼d. Balance to be kept 165 li. 19s. 10¾d. in the Accountants hands untill the moneys advanced per him, Mr. Broadbent, and Mr. Webster on account of Militia are satisfied.

Nov. 26, 1761. [public meeting of freeholders to chuse a Collector in the room of Mr. Gilbert Roberts, and an assistant in the room of the new Collector. freeholders present unanimously chose Mr. John Nodder Town Collector, and Mr. Gilbert Roberts an assistant.]

[At the same meeting the accounts of Mr. Gilbert Roberts were read, &c. Charge 543 li. 6s. 5d. discharge 540 li. 18s. 10¾d. Balance 2 li. 7s. 6¼d.

[At the same meeting to chuse an Assistant in the room of Mr. Joseph Broadbent, lately deceased. Mr. Joseph Roberts, Mr. Thomas Bridges, and Mr. Samuel Staniforth were named by the Collector as candidates, when Mr. Joseph Roberts was unanimously chosen. [Signed by 10 Freeholders.]

[Page 156.] The accounts of Mr. Gilbert Roberts, Town Collector, for two years commencing from Whitsuntide, 1759.

Charge 543 li. 6s. 5d. [including]. 1760. 1 li., being a legacy left by Mr. Spooner, and charged on an estate at Barlow, to Mr. James Spooner and Thomas Mather. May

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[1] Louisburgh, or Cape Breton, in North America, taken from the French, 27th July, 1758.

[2] See reference to this in the Introduction.

[3] Guadaloupe, an island in the West Indies, taken May, 1759.

16. By cash of the overseers of the poor for the use of Eliz. Lister, a Town apprentice, paid by her master for his illusage of her 4 li. Nov. 17. By cash of Mr. Wm. Battie, Spooner's legacy charged as above 1 li. Towns rents each year 101 li. 10s. 10d.

Discharge. [Among other items the following.] 1759. Nov. 7. paid to the Ringers at taking Quebec, [1] Guadalupe, and Thurot (?) 1 li. 12s. 1760. June 9. To Mr. Thomas Watson at treating the Justices when Bridge was let 2 li. 5s. 6d.

[Page 157.] 1760. Sep. 6. To Mr. Gilbert Dixon, fees paid by him about the Road bill from Sheffield to Wortley 5 li. 8s. 4d. Oct. 8. To the Ringers at taking Montreal [2] 10s. 6d., and Drink 4s.—14s. 6d. 22. To Militia at Town hall 7 li. 7s. To Do. when discharged 1 li. 1s. To Ringers 10s. 6d. 1761. Jan. 16. To Mr. Wm. Fairbank for measuring 2 li. 0s. 4d. Feb. 20. To Mr. John Younge the fifty first call for 10 shares of the Navigation of the River Dun belonging to the town 50 li. April 6. To the Assignees of Revel Homfray [3] for printing 14s. 6d. 10. To liquor to J. Gotts servants on Laying the first stone for widening Lady's Bridge 10s. 6d. 24. To the men for pumping water to clear the foundation of the Bridge 6s. May 2. To Mr. John Smith for a years rent of a Room for Eliz. Clayton, removed out of the Almshouses in order to their being pulled down [other similar payments] 1 li. 1s. May 22. To Mr. Jonathan Younge for 52d call for Navigation shares 50 li. June 11. paid for Liquor on putting in the Key stone of the last arch of Lady's Bridge 14s. 6d. 18. To the Ringers for Liquor on the news of taking Bellisle [4] 14s. 6d. July 28. To Ringers on news of Prince Ferdinand's victory over Broglio 10s. 6d. To Do. on news of taking Donotichary [5] 10s. 6d. Aug. 22. To half of the charges at the King's Proclamation 15 li. 1s. 4d. Sep. 5. To Mr. Joseph Owen for a Guard room for the Militia, &c., 6 li. 17s. 25. To half of the charges upon the King's Coronation [6] 10 li. 4s. 3d. To coals for Bonefires on

[1] General Wolf defeated Montcalm on the Heights of Abraham, outside Quebec, 13th Sept., 1759, and the city surrendered on the 18th Sept.

[2] Montreal taken from the French by General Amhirst, 1760.

[3] Revel Homfrey, of Sheffield, printer, son of Thomas Homfrey, of Wales, and Ann, daughter of John Revel. Thomas Homfrey died 1733. Revel Homfrey died 18th Sept., 1760, leaving a son Francis, who died unmarried.—See *Familiæ Minorum Gentium*, page 396; also "Reminiscences of Old Sheffield;" also note page 380.

[4] Belleisle, France, taken 7th June, 1761.

[5] Pondicherry in India, taken from the French, Jan., 1761.

[6] George III. succeeded Oct., 1760.

that occasion 3 li. 17s. 6d. To 2 years rent which Ezra Twigg refuses to pay till a mistake concerning his rent is rectified 12s. Total discharge 540 li. 18s. 10¾d. Balance 2 li. 7s. 6¼d.

17th Sep., 1763. At a meeting at the Town hall of the Burgesses or Freetenants, pursuant to notice given by the Bellman, to chuse an Assistant in the room of Mr. Gilbert Roberts, lately deceased, Mr. Joseph Hancock was by a majority of the Burgesses present duly chosen and declared an Assistant in the place of the said Gilbert Roberts.

[Page 161.] June 6th, 1765. [Mr. Joseph Roberts chosen Collector for two years in the room of Mr. John Nodder.]

At the same meeting Mr. Nodder's accounts were read, &c. Charge 1304 li. 13s. 0½d. discharge 1307 li. 3s. 1d. remained Due to the accountant 2 li. 10s. 0¾d., which were paid by Joseph Roberts. [Signed by 5 Freeholders.]

[Page 162.] The accounts of Mr. John Nodder, who was chosen Town Collector for two years from Whitsuntide 1761.

Charge 1304 li. 13s. 0½d.

Discharge. [The following among other items.] 1761. Nov. 30. To paid Mr. Matthewman per receipt to Mr. Roberts the 53 call to the Navigation 50 li. 1762. Jan. 20. To paid at a meeting at Mr. Webster's about Petitioning the Duke of Norfolk about the populace cutting wood 14s. 9d. [several other expences about this petition]. Feb. 12. 54th call for the Navigation 50 li. March 26. To paid at a meeting at Mr. Webster's chusing a Beadle, Aaron Loton's men ale, and the Ringers ale per Bill 1 li. 5s. March 26. To paid the Ringers, per Mr. Roberts, at the taking of Martinico [1] 10s. 6d.

[Page 164.] 1762. June 17. To paid John Wallis for the Prosecution of Mary Green 1 li. os. 11d. To paid [William Spooner, constable] for faggots to burn bad meat with 6s. To paid Elihu Parker for the Prosecution of Samuel Holland 2 li. 6s. 2d. To paid [Leonard Webster] for a prosecution of a felon by subscription of him and the Butchers, &c., 5 li. Aug. 14. To paid the Ringers, per Mr. Roberts, when the Prince of Wales was born 10s. 6d. 29. To paid James Brook for [setting 21 yards at Bow spring], he says per Bill, but none produced 2 li. 10s. 1½d. Oct 2. To paid the Ringers, per Mr. Roberts at the taking of Havanah [2] 10s. 6d.

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[1] Martinique, an island in the West Indies. taken 4th Feb., 1762.

[2] Havana, capital of the island of Cuba, taken by the English, under Lord Albermarle, 13th August, 1762.

[Page 165.] Nov. 1. To paid Mr. Scholey, per Mr. Roberts, for the Militia, he says by Receipt, but none produced 27 li. 6s. 1763. Jan. 13. To paid the Militia per do. 27 li. 6s.

[Page 166.] May 19, 1763. paid 58th call for the Navigation 50 li. 1764. May 5. To paid Mr. Kenyon, per Bramalls receipt, for schooling for a poor child 10s.

[Page 167.] Oct. 3. To paid Joseph Hudson in part for cleaning the Pond at Broad lane, being usual 5s. 1765. Jany 8. To paid Mr. Ward, per bill, for printing &c., 4 li. 2s. 6d. Feb. 12. To paid Mr. Simmons for newspapers 6 li. 12s. 6d.

[Page 168.] May 13th. To paid Mr. Roberts the Balance of the Window Tax as per account 13 li. 19s. 3d.

Discharge 1306 li. 3s. 1¼d. Charge 1304 li. 13s. 0½d. Balance 1 li. 10s. 0¾d. Error found out in casting up 1 li.—2 li. 10s. 0¾d.

12 October, 1770. [Meeting of burgesses or freetenants to chuse an assistant in the room of Mr. Matthew Lambert, lately deceased, Mr. Joseph Ibberson was unanimously chosen.]

[Page 169.] 10th Aug., 1772. [Meeting of freeholders to chuse an assistant in the Room of Mr. John Nodder, lately deceased. Mr. John Winter, Mr. John Turner, Mr. George Close were put in nomination by Mr. Joseph Roberts, the Town Collector, and the said Mr. John Winter was chosen by a majority of the Freeholders present.]

29th Dec., 1773. [publick meeting of the freeholders to chuse an assistant in the room of Mr. Leonard Webster, deceased. Mr. John Turner was unanimously chosen.]

[Page 170.] On a piece of paper pinned to page 170 is the record of a public meeting held Monday, 14th Aug , 1775, to take the accounts of the late Town Collector, Mr. Joseph Ibberson, deceased. The accounts were read, &c.

Charge 1563 li. 14s. 9½d. discharge 217 li. 1s. 9½d. Balance 1346 li. 13s., paid to his successor, Mr. John Turner. [Signed by 6 Freeholders.]

[Page 170.] 25th Nov., 1774. [public meeting of Freeholders to chuse Collector in the room of Mr. Joseph Roberts, who continued in that office beyond the usual time in order to regulate the affairs of the Town, which has been neglected and brought into disorder by former collectors, and which could not be done within the time he was chose Collector for. The freehelders present unanimously chose Mr. Joseph

Ibberson Town Collector for two years, to be accounted from Thursday before Whitsuntide last, and the said Mr. Joseph Roberts again an assistant.

[At the same meeting Mr. Joseph Roberts's accounts were read, &c.

Charge 5329 li. 3s. 9½d. discharge 4392 li. 18s. 8d. Balance 936 li. 5s. 1½d., which when paid to his successor will discharge this account.] [Signed by 6 Freeholders.]

[Page 171.] Monday 19th Nov., 1778. [publick meeting to take the accounts of Mr. John Turner, the Collector.

Charge 3468 li. 11s. 3d. discharge 3080 li. 9s. 1½d. Balance 388 li. 2s. 1½d., paid to his successor, Mr. Joseph Matthewman, who was duly elected Collector for the two ensuing years. [Signed by 9 Freeholders.]

[Pages 172—173.] Sheffield, Thursday, 23 July, 1778. Whereas a Commission of Charitable uses in the [blank] year of King Charles II., and whereas by a decree of the Commissioners, dated 6th Sep., 30th year of the said King's reign (1679), it was directed that certain messuages, lands, &c., should vest in thirteen inhabitants of the said town by name and their heirs, and in Trust for the Charitable uses, &c. The Commissioners further ordered that when any three of the then present or succeeding Trustees should be dead, then the survivors of them should convey over the premises to the survivors and such other persons, inhabitants within the said town, as should from time to time be in that behalf nominated and appointed by the greater part of the inhabitants within the said town of Sheffield.

Whereas by the death of Trustees there remains no more than seven, and now commonly called the Towns Collector and assistants, and they being desirous that the said trust estates should be invested in Twelve Trustees in conformity with the said decree, have agreeable to immemorial usage given a weeks notice by the Bellman or public cryer to the inhabitants to assemble this day at the Towns hall at a certain hour, for the special purpose of appointing five new Trustees or assistants to be added to the present Town Collector and assistants. Whereupon at the said meeting Messrs. John Trevers Younge, Thomas Broadbent, John Shore, Thomas Gunning, John Sutcliffe, Jonathan Moor, William Birks, Thomas Vennor, John Marsh, and George Close were put in nomination by Mr. John Turner, the Towns Collector for the time being, and the said John Trevers Younge, Thomas Broadbent, John Shore, Thomas Gunning, and John Sutcliff were by a great majority of the inhabitants

then present duly elected and appointed assistants, &c., in testimony, &c., the said majority have hereunto subscribed their names. John Turner, James Wheat,[1] Thomas Gunning, Joseph Hancock, Fran. Wheelhouse, M. Skelton, Joseph Roberts, Thomas Gunning, John Wait, Thomas Parker, Joseph Allwood, John Cooke, Henry Scott, Joshua Cawton, John Shore, John Winter.[2]

[Page 174.] 1765. Dr. The Town of Sheffield. Joseph Roberts, Town Collector. June 10. paid (Duke of Norfolk) 18 years rent due at Lady day for Hallam lands 18s.

[Page 176.] 1766. Feb. 20. paid William Ragg for clearing the market in the snow 5s. May 16. paid George Close on account of lighting lamps 72 li. 5s. August 16. paid Mr. Joseph Bower half the expense of a petition to Parliament on the high price of corn 11s. 3d.[3] Oct. 4. paid ½ the expenses of an address to Lord Rockingham 5 li. 1s. 7d.

[Page 178.] June 2. paid Mr. Watson's bill at a meeting to consider of a petition to Parliament regarding the Harbour at Hull 11s. 6d.

[Page 180.] 1767. June 16. paid Samuel Watson, late apprentice to Mr. Ant, what was paid into the hands of the Town Collector by Overseers of Poor 6 li.

[Page 175.] Cr. 1765. Feb. 9. Received of Samuel Dawson, being what Mr. Lambert paid Mr. Fairbank in part of his Bill for surveying the Turnpike 20 li. Sept. 25. Received of Mr. Leonard Webster a Balance due from him when Mr. Nodder was Town Collector 6 li. 17s. 6½d.

Dr. 1768. Jan. 12. paid at a meeting at Mr. Webster's to consider of relieving the Poor 10s. 10d. 14. paid Captain Barn's Sergeant for taking a person returned from Transportation 2s. 6d.

[Page 182.] Jan. 15. paid a donation to the Poor 21 li. Feb. 25. paid Mr. Fairbank for measuring at Barker pool 1s. April 8. paid expenses of Mr. Webster, Mr. Turner, Mr. Wilkinson, and myself to and at Halifax to view the water works 3 li. 16s. 3d. 16. paid for 5 tin pipes to try the water at Crooks Moor 2s. 25. paid spent at King's head at

[1] James Wheat, solicitor, clerk to the Church Burgesses and the Town Trustees, the first member of his family who settled in Sheffield. His office was in Paradise Square in 1787.

[2] This entry marks the return of the Trustees to the due observance of the Decree of Charitable Uses, which had been departed from since 1713. See page 326.

[3] From 1765, for some years, the seasons were bad, and the price of corn rose. In 1773 a Corn Law was passed modifying the Act of 1671.

a meeting concerning the water 8s. May 4. (do. do.) 4s. 6d. 16. paid for a pair of scales and weights for weighing butter 12s. 10d.

[Pages 184-186.] Dr. 1769. July 31. paid some colliers for cleaning Trueloves gutter 1 li. 11s. 6d. Oct. paid Mr. Matthewman for wood pipes for Barker pool 12s. 1770. Jan. 12. paid Mr. Samuel Simmons his Principal money 150 li. paid interest of Do. 3 years and 43 days to 30 Sept., 1769 21 li. 1s. 9d. 1771. June 8. paid Benjamin Bell for work at Irish Cross and houses at Bridges 3 li. 11s.

[Page 190.] 1772. Aug. 8. paid Mr. Ward for advertisement 1 li. 4s. 6d. 1773. March 24. paid spent at Mr. Watson's at a meeting to consider of the new canal to Althorp 7s.

[Page 194.] 1774. Feb. 28. paid Mr. Watson his bill at transferring Navigation shares 1 li. 12s. 10d.

[Rents in arrear paid.]

[Page 187.] Cr. John Crookes 6 years 4s. Leonard Webster 4 years 5 li. 4s. 8d. Mr. Jolly 4 years 2 li. John Brookes 6 years 4 li. [and many others 3, 4, and 6 years]. Thomas Brammall 7 years 17s. 6d. Thomas Boulsover 4 years 1 li. 1772. Joseph Matthewman 4 years 1 li. 6s.

[Page 196.] Dr. 1774. June 29. paid Mr. Glanville's bill when [we] viewed the Town land 18s. The Town Collector's allowance for his trouble 6 li. 6s. Total 4392 li. 18s. 8d. Balance due from Joseph Roberts 936 li. 5s. 11d.—5329 li. 3s. 9½d.

[Page 197.] Cr. Received of George Pearson 4½ years due 81 li. Hugh Bark 11 years 2 li. 5s. John Jackson 11 years 9 li. 1s. 6d. Joseph Matthewman, late Husses, 11 years 24 li. 9s. 6d. Anthony Hufton 11 years 2 li. 4s. Mrs. Brightmore 11 years 11s.—5529 li. 3s. 9½d.

John Turner, Town Collector. Charge, 3468 li. 11s. 3d.

Discharge [among other items the following]. 1775. Aug. 4. Allowed Mr. Joseph Ibberson for being Towns Collector 1 li. 1s. Sept. 2. James Turton for cleaning the streets 2 li. 10s. Oct. 4. paid Mr. Simmons for Newspapers 5 li. 2s. 6d. 1776. Feb. 7. Towns subscriptions for the relief of the poor 30 li. Sept. John Lingard for pitching before the Town hall 10s. spent at Mr. Watson's in exchanging security for Navigation shares 1 li. 12s. 2d. 1777. Nov. 8. paid Benjamin Seynor with a poor boy an apprentice 1 li. 1s. Dec. 1. paid Mr. Broadbent 20 per cent. for the Halifax road 40 li. Dec. 23. paid Executors of the late Duke of

Norfolk 5½ years rent for 2 cottages 7s. 4d. 24. paid James Bates, overseer of Highways, for cleaning streets 2 li. 10s. paid Mr. Cawton do. do. 2s. 10s. 1778. May 12. paid Mr. Matthew Hawksworth for ground in Gibraltar 4 li. 16s. 7d. Nov. 2. paid Francis Hague for ground were a flight of steps lately stood and now turned into the street near Snig hill 4 li. 4s. Total discharge 3080 li. 9s. 1½d. Balance paid Mr. Matthewman 388 li. 2s. 1½d.—3468 li. 11s. 3d.

[Page 214.] Copy of deed of transfer of the ten shares in the River Don navigation from John Smith of Sheffield, cutler, the surviving Trustee, to Leonard Webster, Gilbert Roberts, John Roberts, William Watson, John Shirecliffe, and John Roebuck as trustees for the Town of Sheffield, dated 13th April, 1751. The original Trustees with John Smith were James Crawshaw, George Steer, Samuel Shore, John Browne, Thomas Heaton, and John Nodder.

[Page 215.] Copy of deed dated 22 Oct., 1770, by which Leonard Webster, gentleman; William Watson, of Pitsmoor, gentleman; John Nodder, formerly of Sheffield, but now Cutthorpe, co. Derby, gentleman, and John Shirecliffe, of Whitley hall, gentleman, surviving trustees, appoint Samuel Dawson, of Sheffield, gentleman, our attorney and proxy at the general meetings and assemblies of the company and to receive dividends.

Deed dated 15th Feb., 1774. William Watson, John Shirecliffe send greeting. Whereas John Smith, deceased, the surviving trustee for the Town of Sheffield, in respect of ten shares in the River Don Navigation did in 1751 transfer the same to William Watson and John Shirecliffe, and also to Gilbert Roberts, John Nodder, John Roebuck, and Leonard Webster as trustees for the town of Sheffield; and whereas Roberts, Nodder, Roebuck, and Webster are since dead, and Watson and Shirecliff hereby transfer the said ten shares to Samuel Dawson, his heirs, &c., upon this special trust that he shall transfer the day after the date of these presents, the said ten shares to William Watson, Joseph Roberts, Benjamin Roebuck, Joseph Hancock, Joseph Ibberson, John Winter, and John Turner, trustees for the town of Sheffield.

[Page 217.] Indenture dated 26th Feb., 1774. Samuel Dawson conveys the said ten shares to Watson, Roberts, Roebuck, Hancock, Ibberson, Winter, and Turner.

[Page 218.] Indenture dated 7th August, 1778. Watson, Roberts, Roebuck, Hancock, Winter, and Turner appoint James Wheat of Sheffield, gentleman, their proxy and attorney in respect of these shares.

Friday, 17th Nov , 1780. [public meeting of freeholders in the Town hall to take the accounts of Joseph Matthewman, the town collector. charge 1594 li. 4s. 11d. discharge 1148li. 8s. 5½d., leaving a balance 445 li. 16s. 5½d., which being paid to his successor, Thomas Broadbent, discharged the said account. [Signed by 10 Freeholders.]

Mr. Matthewman Credits the town with 1594 li. 4s. 11d., among which are the following items. 1780. Nov. 6. By the use of the Hall (for a china sale) 10s. 6d.

Mr. Matthewman Debits the Town with 1148. 8s. 5½d., including the following items. 1778. Dec. 11. To a gift to the militia guard (14 in number) on account of the fire at Mr. Roebuck's house 5 li. 5s. 12. To Mr. Wheat, the Town proportion of his bill for the application to the Sessions for the removal of the Toll bar at Heely, fees to counsel, &c. 6 li. 6s. 1779. Jan. 11. Paid the expences of a meeting at Mr. Kay's to peruse the intended bill to Parliament 1 li. 15s. Feb. 15. Paid Mr. Kay at a meeting with the four attorneys 10s. 6d. April 27. paid the 1st call of 5 per cent. towards the intended road to Gander lane 15 li. May 19. Paid Timothy Twybell for taking away a porch and throwing the same into the street 3 li. 3s. 1779. May 29. Paid Mr. Broadbent the 20 per cent. on Halifax road for the former subscriptions of 200 li. 40 li. Paid 2nd call of 15 per cent. on 100 li. for the Turnpike to Gander lane 15 li. paid Jonathan Wilkinson with a poor boy an apprentice 2 li. [3rd call of Gander lane road 30 li.] Sept. 28. Paid Messrs. Parker and Shore a 10 per cent. call [towards the Gander lane Turnpike, 4th call] 10 li. Nov. 18. To cash paid Messrs. Shore and Parker, being the last call on the Gander lane Turnpike 30 li. To John Wilkinson for the widdow of the late Bellman, William Smilter, who died the 15th inst., and being for this years sallary though it was not due till Christmas ensuing 1 li. Dec. 1st. To the expences at Mr. Kay's to receive Mr. Phipps opinion (10 Trustees present) 14s. 2d. 1780. Jan. 8. paid Alexander Sharp on account of sixty-nine branches crossing the common shore and new pipes being added thereto 5 li. 1s. 4d. April 7. Gave John Green in consideration of removing his Pallisades and giving up a small quantity of land 1 li. 11s. 6d. 29. Paid Bellman for a cry to prevent mischievous Practices on May day evening[1] (a long cry) 1s. June 17. Gave the ringers on the news

[1] The practice of cutting down young birch trees and decorating Scotland street with them, as well as other practices, on and after May eve, are described in Addy's *Hall of Waltheof*, p. 146. In Cambridgeshire, "On the evening or night preceding May day the young men (farmers' servants) go

of Charles Town[1] being surrendered to Sir Henry Clinton 1 li. 1s. and for ale 2s. 6d. July 7. Paid towards cleaning the well called Figtree well 10s. 6d. Aug. 20. Paid Mr. Phipps, clerk, in London 5s. and as a further fee for his master 3 li. 3s. Nov. 14. Paid Mr. Parker, Council, in full 21 li.

Wednesday, 20th Nov., 1782. At a public meeting of freeholders at the Town's hall to take the accounts of Mr. Thomas Broadbent, Town Collector. Charge 934 li. os. 5d. discharge 528 li. 2s. 6d. Balance 405 li. 17s 11d., which is secured by a mortgage of the freehold and leasehold estate of Joseph Broadbent, made to Joseph Matthewman in Trust for the ensuing collector, Mr. John White, and his assistants, (first signature) Vincent Eyre, John Turner, Joseph (X his mark) Hancock, John Winter, Joseph Matthewman, Thomas Gunning.

Thomas Broadbent, Town Collector, credits the Town with 1253 li. 10s. 9½d. He debits the Town with 815 li. 10s. 2d., including the following. 1781. Jan. 1. paid Lionel Smilter, Bellman, 1 years salary 1 li. Dec. 12. paid expences of a meeting at Mr. Kay's on fixing the advanced rents on the Town's estates 17s. 6d. 1782. April 2. paid William Fairbank for surveying and valuing as per bill 5 li. 3s. July 30. paid Mr. Wheat's bill on prosecuting Fearne for the murder of Nathan Andrews[2] 14 li. 19s. 13. paid as below for do. to be accounted for, viz. Joseph Eyre Constable, 5 li. 5s. do. as per his account 30 li. 17s. 6d.—36 li. 2s. 6d.

The Town of Sheffield with Joseph Matthewman as continued from Thomas Broadbent. 1782. J. M. credits the Town with 934 li. os. 5d.[3]

The town is debited with 528 li. 2s. 6d., and the balance 405 li. 17s. 11d. carried to Mr. John Winter's account, the next collector.

Monday, 16th August, 1784. public meeting of the freeholders, &c., to chuse assistants and Trustees in the stead of Messrs. Thomas Roberts, Thomas Gunning, and John

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and cut May, or hawthern boughs, which they bring home in bundles, and leave some at almost every house, singing what they call the 'Night Song.'" —Hampson's *Calendar of the Middle Ages*, i., p. 231.

[1] Charlestown, South Carolina, taken by Sir H. Clinton, May, 1780.

[2] Nathan Andrews, watchmaker, High Street or Church Street, was murdered by Frank Fearne, 1782. Fearne was gibbetted on Loxley Edge.

[3] This seems to be the first year in which a banking account is kept, the account being charged on both sides with 225 li. 14s. 6d., paid to Messrs. J. and W. Shore.

Sutcliffe, deceased, and Mr. William Watson, resigned. Messrs. Benjamin Broomhead, Vincent Eyre, Henry Tudor, Samuel Marshall, John Greaves, Robert Bailey, Joseph Mitchell, Benjamin Withers, and William Brightmore, and William Pearson were put in nomination by Mr. John Winter, the collector for the time being. The said Benjamin Broomhead, Vincent Eyre, Henry Tudor, Samuel Marshall, and John Greaves were duly and unanimously elected, &c. [Signed by 13 Freeholders.]

Monday, 4th October, 1784. At a public meeting of the Trustees this day at the Town hall, pursuant to public notice given by the Bellman, it was resolved that it will be of public utility to open a public carriage road from Waingate to Newhall Street agreeable to the plan drawn by William Fairbank, and that as soon as conveniently may be. And it is accordingly ordered that notice be forthwith given to the Tenants of the Town whose Tenements are to be removed or altered to execute the same plan to quit their tenements at Whitsuntide next.

Also ordered that the Collector do pay to the Overseers of the Highways of the Town of Sheffield one hundred pounds towards the repairs of the Highways within the Town. Also ordered that the several fee farm rents, quit rents, and chief rents issuing out of the town estates payable to the Earl of Surrey be purchased of this Earl.[1]

Wednesday, 1st December, 1784. public meeting of the Freeholders at the Town Hall to take the accounts of the Collector, Mr. John Winter. charge 1870 li. os. 8d. discharge 1167 li. 13s 4½d. balance 702 li. 7s. 3½d. paid to Mr. John Shore, the next Collector.

John Winter, Town Collector, Credits the Town with 1870 li. os. 8d., including interest received for the Penistone turnpike 14 li., 30 August, 1783. Nov. 4. Received of Mr. Joseph Matthewman one years rent for the water works 5 li. Wakefield Turnpike interest 10 li. Sparrowpit gate 12 li. Nov. 2, 1784. Joseph Matthewman and Co. 1 years rent 5 li. also 11s. Chesterfield Turnpike interest 32 li. Received of Messrs. J. and W. Shore interest 4 li. 10s.

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[1] It was in pursuance of this resolution that the ancient rent of £2. 15s. 2½d. paid to the Lord of the Manor was bought up and extinguished. The Earl of Surrey, in 1784, obtained an Act of Parliament enabling him to improve the markets at Sheffield, and towards providing the funds for this purpose he was authorised to sell certain small chief rents, rents service, rents seck, and rents called Fridleys, which were payable to him as Lord of the Manor.

[The Collector Debits the town with the following among other items.] 1782. Dec. 9. paid Stephen Loy for coals to the Town hall for the soldiers guard 1 li. 6s. 8d. 21. paid Mr. Simmons for gazettes 17 li. 12s. 11d. 28. paid Robert Ash for plaistering Town's hall 10 li. 14s. 6d. paid James Smilter for leading water to Town's hall 10s. 1783. Jan. 9. Paid Mr. John Brown the Town's subscription for relief of the Poor by order of the Trustees 100 li. 13. Paid half expenses for Mr. Younge, Mr. Hawksley, Mr. Hoyle, and self attending a meeting of the proprietors of the Worksop Turnpike at Aston about a Toll barr which they wanted to fix 1 li. 1s. 6d. Feb. 25. paid Fenton and Tate for cleaning and varnishing the King's arms 5s. April 23. paid expences with the Easter jury 10s. 6d. [the amount had been 10s. for many years.] July 28. Paid John Stacey for work done at the Town's hall, &c., as per his 3 bills 73 li. 1s. August 21. paid for a tin box to keep the Town's map in 3s. 6d. 30. paid Thomas Holdsworth for carrying Gibbet post to Loxley[1] 15s. Dec. 26. paid Mr. Peech at a meeting of several gentlemen who attended the Justices about Frith and Atkins gun powder 1 li. 9s. 1784. April 13. paid for the carriage of the new Engine from Tinsley 4s. 14. paid Messrs. Hadley and Son for the new engine 45 li. 17s. 24. paid for 2 Letters from Hadley and Son about the engines 8d. July 28. paid carriage of the new engine from London to Tinsley 18s. Aug. 13. paid Bellman for crying a meeting of the Freeholders to chuse new Trustees 1s. paid do. for crying twice a meeting of the inhabitants to consult about the Turnpike road leading to Worksop 1s.

At a public meeting of the Town's Trustees held at the Tontine Inn[2] on Friday the 21st April, 1786, it was Resolved that Samuel Hall, of Sheffield, cutler, be appointed the Beadle for the Town of Sheffield so long as he behaves himself to the general satisfaction of the Trustees, and that he be allowed the usual salary of eight pounds per annum with the customary suits of clothing during his continuance in the said office.

Monday, 2nd April, 1787. Public meeting at the Towns hall to take into consideration the accounts of Mr. John Shore, the collector. charge 2104 li. 16s. 1½d. discharge 1434 li. 1s. 9d. balance 670 li. 14s. 4½d. was paid to Mr. Henry Tudor, the next collector. [Signed by 8 Freeholders.]

[1] Frank Fearne's gibbet post.

[2] The Tontine Inn, in the Haymarket, was finished 29th September, 1785. It was owned by proprietors on the principal of a Tontine, and continued to be the leading hotel in Sheffield down to 1850, when it was removed to make way for the Norfolk Market Hall.

Accounts of John Shore, Town Collector. Cr. 1784-1787. Total 2104 li. 16s. 1½d. Feb. 17. By Cash John Ash for materials sold from old houses pulled down at Bottom water lane, Mrs. Dickinson 11s. 7s. 6d. March 31. By Cash of Peter Wigfall for 3 old chimney pieces from the old houses in water lane 10s. 6d.

1784. Dr. side. Dec. 3. To cash paid Mr. Pullyne for his activity at the fire in King Street 2 li. 2s. 1785. March 11. To cash paid Alexander Sharp repairs at Town hall, &c. 46 li. 8s. 7d., deduct lead sold him from do. 40 li. 15s. 6d., 5 li. 13s. May 14. To cash paid A. Lister for Gazettes to 5th April 1 li. 13s. 6d. July 5. To cash paid John Scena for the House at Lady's Bridge to pull down and widen the Bridge 83 li. 3s. 4d. July 26. To cash paid S. Peach for meeting about Lady's bridge 6s. 1786. Jan. 20. To cash paid Joseph Kaye a meeting of the Gentlemen 2 li. 11s. 30. To cash paid Thomas Rogers for a house near Lady's Bridge to pull down to widen the street 40 li. April 20. To cash paid Easter jury 1 li. 1s. 1786. May 25. To cash paid Paul Clark looking after Barker pool 7s. 6d.[1] July 8. To cash paid expences meeting gentlemen at Tontine 3 li. 2s. August 8. To cash paid Henry Moorhouse for an account of the number of Stalls in the market by desire of a great number of gentlemen 1 li. 10s. Nov. 11. To cash paid Badger and Stacey for information and plans of market place by desire of the gentlemen 9 li. 19s. 6d.[2] Dec. 7. To cash paid men at Lady's Bridge for ale at finishing 1 li. 1s. 9. To cash paid making causeways, &c., at Lady's bridge 88 li. 4s. 4d. 1787, Jan. 6. To cash paid John Thompson for Levelling streets, &c., 37 li. 7s. March 31. To cash paid Mr. Wheat's bill relative to the Market place 11 li. 16s. 6d. To cash paid half the value of Ruffhead's Statutes at large 140 volumes for the Justices, the Cutlers Company paid half 8 li. 8s.—8 li. 8s.[3] To cash paid George Blagdin in part for making the arch under the water 194 li. 14s. Total discharge 1434 li. 1s. 9d. balance paid to Henry Tudor 670 li. 14s. 4½d.

[1] This is the last entry I have noticed which mentions Barker pool. The payment was 7s. 6d. a year. 1781.—Dec. 24. To cash paid John Maxfield, 3 years' salary for looking after Barker pool, due Martinmas last, 1 li. 2s. 6d.

[2] The above entries relate to the carrying out of the Act of Parliament of 1784, for improving the markets, &c., referred in a note on page 393. The improvements were to be conducted under the inspection and subject to the regulation of the principal inhabitants who were nominated in the Act as Commissioners for that purpose. These are doubtless the "gentlemen" of the text.

[3] Some portions of this purchase still remain in the Magistrates' room at the Court House, but, unfortunately, not 140 volumes.

[From a thin paper backed book.]

Abstract of the Accounts of Mr. Henry Tudor as Town Collector, from 5th April, 1787, to the 13th July, 1790.

Dr. 1787. April 2. Received the Balance in the hands of Mr. John Shore, the preceding Collector 670 li. 14s. 4½d. Received as per rental sundry rents due from the Tenants of the Towns Estate 433 li. 10s. 9½d. Received 13 dividends due at Christmas, 1790, on the 10 Navigation shares belonging to the Towns Trustees 1702 li. 10s. Received the interest on several Turnpike securities 116 li. Received of Mr. Scott for oil barrels 8s. 8d. Total - 2923 li. 3s. 10d.

Cr. Paid at sundry times towards the Repairs of the Public streets and Highways in Sheffield, removing old houses, new cart, and Barrows, &c. 413 li. 7s. 3d. Paid for oil for lighting the Towns lamps and for repairing same 515 li. 5s. 5d. Paid the scavengers for sweeping and cleaning the streets of said Town 121 li. 11s. 7d. Paid annual Salaries, subscriptions, and gratuities 355 li. 2s. 10d. Paid expences of the Fire Engines and of men attending to extinguish fires 85 li. 4s. 6½d. paid George Blagden for mason's work, &c. 134 li. 7s. 9½d paid Law bills and for surveying plans, &c. 88 li. 7s. 7d. paid for newspapers 20 li. 12s. 3d. paid for sundry Contingent expences not reducible to any general Head 178 li. 14s. 4d. By Balance due from Mr. Tudor 1007 li. 10s. 3d. Total - 2923 li. 3s. 10d.

Abstract of the Accounts of Mr. Vincent Eyre as Town Collector, from the 16th July, 1790, to the 23rd March, 1793.

Dr. 1790. July 16. Received the balance in the hands of Mr. Tudor, preceding collector, 1007 li. 10s. 3d. Received as per rental sundry Rents due from the Tenants of the Town estate 320 li. 8s. 7d. Received 11 dividends due at Michaelmas, 1792, on the 10 Navigation shares belonging to the Town's Regents[1] 1634 li. Received the interest due on several Turnpike securities 118 li. Received for materials sold to William Hall from the Pond well and 2s. 4d. for stamps 8 li. 10s. 4d. Total - 3088 li. 9s. 2d.

Cr. Contra. Paid at sundry times towards the repairs of the Public streets and Highways in Sheffield and at the Pond well 603 li. 11s. 8d. Paid for lighting the Town's lamps for 3 years, viz., in the winters of 1790, 1791, and 1792, and for

[1] About this period there seems to have been a fancy to call the Town Trustees by the name of "The Town Regents." Later on the title "Town Regent" was applied to the Town Collector, and so continued till the death of Mr. William Butcher in 1870. Since then the older style of Town Collector has been adhered to.

new lamps and lamp irons. N. B.—The whole expences of 1792 not discharged 716 li. 19s. 11d. Paid the scavengers for sweeping and cleaning the streets of the Town of Sheffield over and above what has been received for soil and manure sold (amounting to 80 li. 4s. 4d.) 175 li. 15s. 8d. N.B.—This includes a Bill of Hoggatts for 14 li. 3s., and Hutchinson's for 1 li. 12s. 6d. for a cart and repairs of the cart, &c. Paid annual salaries, subscriptions, gratuities, &c., &c. 238 li. 8s. 3d. Paid for sundry contingent expences not reducible to any general head, and in particular for expences incurred by the Magistrates, Constables, &c., during the Riots in 1791[1] 542 li. 10s. 1½d. Paid for purchase of property in order to open new streets, &c. 150 li. Lent the Committee appointed for better supplying the Town with fish 180 li. Paid expences of the Fire engines and of men attending to extinquish fires 80 li. 6s. 9d. Paid Law bills and for surveying, &c. 69 li. 13s. 8d. Balance due from Mr. Eyre 331 li 3s. 1½d.

Total - 3088 li. 9s. 2d.

25th March, 1793. We have examined these accounts and the vouchers for the same, and which vouchers together with the balance of 331 li. 3s. 1½d. have been delivered over unto Mr. John Greaves. Witness our hands. [No hands appear.]

V. Eyre, Collector of the Rents of the Town's Estate.

Dr. 1793. March 23. To a years rental due Martinmas, 1790 165 li. 3s. 5d. To do., 1791 165 li. 3s. 5d. To do., 1792 165 li. 3s. 5d. To the amount of arrears due Martinmas, 1789, and uncollected by Mr. Tudor 159 li. 0s. 6d. Difference which may easily arise from an Error with arrears returned on either side of this account 4s. 9d. 654 li. 15s. 6d.

Cr. By rents received by V. Eyre and brought into account 320 li. 8s. 7d. By arrears due Martinmas, 1792, and not received by this accountant 290 li. 0s. 8d. By several Rents amounting to 14 li. 15s. 5d. per annum not returned in arrear, the amount of the arrears thereof not being ascertained, but in arrears 3 years and upwards the accountant must have credit for such 3 years arrears 44 li. 6s. 3d.

Total - 654 li. 15s. 6d.

[1] In 1791 the passing of an Act of Parliament for the enclosure of the waste and common lands of Upper and Nether Hallam caused some popular commotions. In July the magistrates sent for a detachment of dragoons. The prison was attacked and the prisoners liberated. Broomhall, the residence of the vicar, who was a magistrate, was attacked by the mob, and his furniture, books, and other things destroyed. A man named Bennett was executed at York for the arson at Broomhall. See *Sheffield Local Register*, pp. 67 and 68.

Monday, June 22d, 1801. At a public meeting of the Freeholders at the Towns hall held this day (pursuant to a weeks notice given by the Bellman as usual) to chuse assistants and Trustees in the stead of Messrs. Benjamin Broomhead, Vincent Eyre, Samuel Marshall, John Winter, John Turner, Benjamin Roebuck, Joseph Matthewman, and Joseph Hancock,[1] deceased, and Thomas Broadbent, who has resigned, and in order to make up the number of Trustees, 13, in conformity to the Decree obtained for the regulation of this Trust, Messrs. Vincent Henry Eyre, Robert Turner, John Rawson, Rowland Hodgson, Francis Fenton, Samuel Staniforth, wine merchant; Samuel Staniforth, linnen draper; Thomas Watson, Peter Brownhill, Joseph Frith, of King Street; Joseph Binney, and Daniel Holy were put in nomination by Mr. John Greaves, the Collector for the time being agreeable to common usage, and the said Messrs. Vincent Henry Eyre, Robert Turner, John Rawson, Rowland Hodgson, Francis Fenton, Samuel Staniforth, wine merchant; Samuel Staniforth, linen draper; Peter Brownill, and Joseph Frith, of King Street, were duly and unanimously elected and approved assistants and Trustees to be added to the said collector and the surviving Trustees, and it is hereby directed that all the estates and property belonging to this Trust shall be duly conveyed and transferred to the said Trustees that the same estates may be duly invested in a competent number of Trustees agreeable to the said Decree.

[Signed by 6 Freeholders.]

Thursday, 26th April, 1804. A meeting of the Trustees this day, at the Angel Inn, to take the accounts of Mr. John Greaves, his charge being 8866 li. 5s. 5¾d. discharge 7846 li. 1s. 8½d. balance 1020 li. 3s. 9¼d. paid to Samuel Staniforth, the next collector. [Signed by 6 Freeholders.]

John Greaves's accounts. 1796. Feb. 27. By the Water Work Co. for one years rent for the privilege of laying pipes in the streets due Martinmas last 5 li. April 29. Cash received of Mr. Richard Morton, being that part of 180 li. advanced by the Town to the Treasurer of a Society for the better supplying the town with fish, that has not been applied for that purpose 48 li. 1s. 3d. 1800. March 1st. By Cash of the Royal Exchange Insurance office their subscription to the new fire engine 20 li. By do. of the Phœnix do. for do. 21 li. August 23d. By Cash from the county for loss sus-

[1] Joseph Hancock was one of the earliest, some say the earliest, manufacturer of silver-plated wares in Sheffield. He was elected a Town Trustee 17th Sept., 1763 (see page 385), and died 25th Nov., 1791, aged 80.

tained at the late riots (in Butter and Potatoes) by J. Raby, Sanderson, John Palfreyman, and John Elridge as stated on contra 29 li. 4s. 3d. Sept. 5. By Cash from the county, viz., Thomas Birch and Co.'s bill allowed for the loss he sustained at the riots 7 li. 10s. 8d. 1803. [mention made of Sparrow-pit and Eyam roads.]

[Items on the debit side.] 1793. March 11. To Mr. Ward[1] for printing sundry notices, declarations, &c., expressive of the attachment of the inhabitants of Sheffield to the present constitution, and for distributing and advertising the same 10 li. 9s. June 20. R. James for Gazettes and votes 4 li. 1s. 5d. July 13. To J. Northall[2] for printing notices for Tenants to pay their rents and arrears 6s. 6d. Joseph Gales[3] for printing hand bills 6s. August 20. J. Northall for advertisements 1 li. 18s. 8d. Nov. 5. To cash, Samuel Peach for expences of ringers when the first stone of the Infirmary was laid 2 li. 4s. Dec. 24. To William Ward for printing Handbills against seditious writings, &c., 8 li. 11s. 3d. 1794. June 16. To cash, Ringers for Lord Howe's[4] victory 10s. 6d. Nov. 18. Rev. Radford for subscriptions to Sunday schools 5 li. 5s. 1795. April 4. To cash paid Carnelly for liquor for volunteers, and expences of commissioners to Lodge Moor, &c. 10 li. 10s. July 4. To cash paid Bill sticker for posting handbills against forestalling,[5] &c. 1s. 6d. Sept. 1. To cash paid Messrs. Walkers, Eyre, and Stanley[6] for first call of 25 per cent. to the Chesterfield Turnpike road (on 100 li.) 25 li. Oct. 31. To cash paid George Eyre for expences attending a prosecution for exposing to sale bad butter in the market 2 li. 0s. 5½d. Nov. 14. To the Ringers

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[1] Ward was the printer of the *Sheffield Public Advertiser*. He died Aug. 9th, 1798.

[2] J. Northall was the printer of the *Sheffield Courant*.

[3] Joseph Gales was the printer of the *Sheffield Register*. See references to him in *Reminiscences of Old Sheffield*, page 315; also in Holland's *Life of Montgomery*, Vol. I., p. 171.

[4] Lord Howe defeated the French fleet off Brest, 1st June, 1794, and received the thanks of Parliament.

[5] "A forestaller is hee which buyeth, or causeth to be bought, any victualls whatsoever going to any faire or market to bee sold, and maketh any bargaine for the buying thereof before the same bee brought into the faire or market, or doth make any motion for the inhancing of the price of any victuals, or doth moove or perswade any person comming to the faire or market with victuals to absent or forbeare his comming thither with any victuals to be sold there."—Wilkinson's *Court Leet, &c*, 1638.

[6] Walker, Eyre, and Stanley, bankers. Their business was merged into The Sheffield and Rotherham Bank in 1836.

for ringing on the arrival of Prince William of Gloucester[1] in this town 1 li. 1s. 1795. Dec. 14. Postage of petitions to the House of Lords in favour of the Convention bill 14s. 1796. March 19. To cash paid J. Northall for printing resolutions respecting the high price of corn, &c. 17s 6d. June 4. Samuel Hall, Beadle, for glass, china, &c., broken in his house at the time of the riots, &c. 2 li. 10s. Oct. 22. payment of two further calls subscribed "for the purpose of diverting the Chesterfield Turnpike" 50 li. 1797. Jan. 7. To cash paid S. Robinson for expences of bringing a man to justice for setting fire to the steam engine 6s. April 8. William Birtles for Edge stones for the streets, two bills together 2 li. 14s. 8d. August 5. Rev. T. Radford for subscription for the painted window at St. James's Church 2 li. 2s. 17 Oct. To the ringers on the first intelligence of the defeat of the Dutch fleet 10s. 6d. 19. To ditto on second news of do., viz., the confirmation 10s. 6d. 1798. July 3. To cash paid John White for printing addresses to the people of America and Handbills respecting the cavalry, &c. 3 li. 6s. 8d. Oct. 26. To do. the ringers for ringing on receipt of the news of Nelson's and of Warren's victories 1 li 11s. 6d. To do. the Infirmary subscription 50 li. 1799. Feb. 23. To cash paid James Montgomery per his bill for receipts, advertisements, &c. 17 li. 7s. 8d.[2] March 26. To a subscription to the armed association, cavalry and infantry in Sheffield 50 li. April. To cash paid for a tub to measure potatoes 5s. April 2. To cash paid for the redemption of the land tax for Lands belonging the town in Hallam 23 li. 16s. 6d. June 21. a further purchase of land tax omitted in the former purchase 12 li. 14s. 6d. Sept. 7. the ringers on the surrender of the Dutch fleet in the Texel 10s. 6d. 1800. Feb. 1. soup for the poor 10 li. 10s. March 20. Subscription to the new bells at Trinity Church 25 li.[3] soup committee 2nd subscription 10 li. 10s. May 3. To Samuel Rabey for a loss in Potatoes occasioned by a riot on Tuesday last 11 li. 7s. 7d. [Several other payments for the same cause and for Butter.] June 7. To cash paid to Thomas Taylor for posting and distributing Handbills on account of the riots and an address to his Majesty 15s. 8d. August 16. To Joseph Gregory the feeing of counsel and swearing con-

[1] Prince William of Gloucester was afterwards the second Duke of Gloucester. He was a grandson of Frederick, Prince of Wales, and nephew to King George III.

[2] Montgomery succeeded to Gales's business, and commenced the *Sheffield Iris* in 1794.

[3] The Parish Church, more properly called St. Peter's. New bells were placed therein in 1798.

stables and other expences attending the prosecution of forestallers, &c. 9 li. 3s. To Briston and Sons for a fire engine paid 17 May last 77 li. 2s. 23. Witnesses their expences attending the prosecution of Forestallers 8 li. 1s. 3d. Dec. 6. for setting edge stones at the Top of Carver Street by Cadmans 6s. 6d. 1801. Feb. 9. J. Lingard 10 per cent. on a subscription of 60 li. to the Eyam road 6 li. March 26. To the committee for the relief of the poor 200 li. April 11. James Montgomery for printed receipts and printing various bills in 1800 13 li. 7s. April 17. To the ringers for Sir Hyde Parker's [1] victory over the Danes (2nd instalment) 10s. 6d. May 30. To Joshua Gregory being counsel's fee, &c., for making a motion at the general quarter sessions to allow the expences at the riots 1 li. 4s. July 30. To the Trustees of the Sheffield General Infirmary a donation 70 li. To Mr. John Greaves one half of the Debt due to him for the Bell at Trinity Church as agreed 96 li. 19s. 6½d. August 21. To do. Samuel Frith expences there (Sam Peach's) with the ringers to settle the new ringers, &c., and ale the 12th August 1 li. 16s. 2d. 22. To Benjamin Tibbs for his attendance upon a new set of ringers 1 li. 1s. August 25. John Hall for fitting an old oil cask for the scavengers to water the streets with 8s. Sept. 8. To some men for ringing during the difference with the regular ringers a period of about 8 weeks 2 li. 2s. Oct. 13. To the ringers for ringing when the news of Peace arrived, and on the arrival of the ratification of the same by France and England, 2½ days 4 li. 6s. 2d. 1802. Feb. 9. To John Beaver (mason) for new stone steps at Townhead cross 6 li. 11s. 0½d. 27. To James Montgomery for sundry printing in the year 1801 4 li. 12s. April 3. To the ringers for ringing two days on the arrival the 30th ulto of the definitive Treaty being signed 27th at Amiens 1 li. 11s. 6d. ringing when peace was proclaimed 1 li. 10s. 6d. May 22. expences at Samuel Peach, Angel Inn, 5th inst. when peace was proclaimed 13 li. 16s. 9d. 1803. March 19. in assistance to the inhabitants in the Wicker to light lamps there 5 li. 5s. April 9. To Montgomery for printing during the last year per bill 4 li. 13s. 6d. Nov. 15. Vincent Eyre, Esq., for a horse, being a donation from the Town to Mr. Fenton, the Lieut. Colonel of the Sheffield Volunteer Infantry 63 li. To paid (Thomas Ashmore) for keep of the horse given by the Town to Mr. Fenton, Lieut. Colonel of the Sheffield Volunteer Infantry, before the same was delivered to him 3 li. 11s. 4d. 1804. To the com-

[1] Sir Hyde Parker was first in command, with Nelson as second, at the Battle of Copenhagen, 2nd April, 1801.

mittee of the Sheffield Volunteer Infantry, being a subscription ordered by the Trustees of the Town for the same, 100 li. April 14. To Mr. Robert Turner, being the Town's subscription towards a new organ in Trinity Church 105 li. To Messrs. Rawson and Co. for porter for the Sheffield Volunteer Infantry when inspected on Brinsworth Common in October last 7 li. 4s. To Mr. Wheat's bill on account of the address to his Majesty on the conspiracy of Despard 5 li. 5s. To Samuel Whitehouses bill for Regimental saddle, Bridle, and furniture for the Horse given by the Town's Trustees to Francis Fenton, Esq., the Lieut. Colonel of the Sheffield Volunteer Infantry 15 li. 15s. April 25. To William Todd's[1] bill for printing resolutions of a loyal meeting at Lambeth and distributing 4 li. 18s. 6d. To J. Montgomery's bill for printing in 1803 8 li. 12s. 6d. To cash paid Ibbotson, Son, and Fox for candles to illuminate the Town hall on account of the Peace in Oct., 1801, and for grease to the fire engines 14s. 10d. 1804. April 27. To cash paid the ringers, May 5, 1797, for ringing on the arrival of good news from Sir Sidney Smith 1 li. 1s. 28. To paid Samuel Peach the expences incurred at a meeting of the Burgesses the 26th inst., and for chaise hire part of the way to Pontefract the 11th inst. on account of the intended Town's hall 7 li.

Wednesday, 18th Nov., 1807. Meeting of the Trustees at the Tontine Inn, to take the accounts of Mr. Samuel Staniforth. charge 1773 li. 2s. 8¾d. discharge 816 li. 2s. 2d. balance 967 li. os. 6¾d. paid to Mr. Robert Turner, the next collector.

[Signed by the following.] Robert Turner, Francis Fenton, Vincent Eyre, Samuel Staniforth, jun., John Rawson, Peter Brownhill.

The Town in account with Samuel Staniforth. Cr. 1805. Nov. 29. The Horse which was purchased by the town in Nov., 1803, and presented to Colonel Fenton, proving unfit for the service, he was returned to the Trustees and sold this day for 30 li.

Dr. 1804. May 22. To cash paid the water work company for the use of the water plugs in the streets to quench fires for 1 year 15 li. 15s. August 18. To cash paid Income tax on an allotment of land to the Trustees of the Town 9s. 3d. Sept. 22. To do. paid the Sheffield Volunteer in-

[1] William Todd, a printer, commenced the *Sheffield Mercury* in 1807. He was afterwards postmaster, but was unfortunate, and left the town in 1826. He wore breeches and black silk stockings, and is described as a gentlemanly-looking man.

fantry, being a subscription ordered by the Town Trustees 100 li. Oct. 6. To do. paid Robert Turner, being the first subscription towards purchasing the new bells 50 li. [another 50 li. paid in. Dec.] 16. To do. paid John Rimington for Law expences incurred during the riots in May, 1792 19 li. 5s. Nov. 5. To do. paid Bellman for twice crying the notice against letting off squibs and crackers 2 s. 1804. Nov. 19. To do. paid Jas. Wheat, being a proportion of the assessment made by the Commissioners for the Hallam inclosure 8 li. 15s. 4d. Nov. 24. To do. paid the Ringers, being a donation on opening the new bells 5 li. 5s. 1805. March 1. To cash paid William Simpson for sundry meetings at his house to consult with the Justices and Master Cutler about the erection of a Town hall, &c., &c., and upon other business 21 li. 7s. 6d. April 20. To do. paid John Shore, Jun., the Town's subscription in aid of the 2nd Sheffield Troops of Cavalry 52 li. 10s. 30. To do. paid Robert Taylor for sweeping the Market on Sunday mornings 19s. 4d. May 14. To do. paid Ebenezer Rhodes, the Town's annual subscription towards lighting the lamps in the Wicker 5 li. 5s. July 6. To do. paid Mr. Fenton his expences to at and from London when deputed by the Town's Regents[1] to confer with the Duke of Norfolk relative to the erection of a Town's hall, &c. 25 li. To do. paid Mr. Turner (he being in London was deputed to assist with Mr. Fenton in the same conference) his expences during the time he remained in Town on that business only 5 li. To do. paid Mr. Robert Turner the Town subscription towards the organ in the old church. N.B.—This sum was paid by Mr. Greaves, the then Town's Collector, in April, 1804, and lodged with me in June following till now wanted 105 li. Aug. 17. To do. paid a Donation to the Ringers for ringing on the return of the Volunteers from Doncaster[2] 1 li. 1s. Nov. 7. (A payment to executors of Mr. Wheat.) Nov. 11. To do. paid the ringers on Lord Nelson's victory[3] 10s. 6d. To do. paid William Todd for blotching paper for the Towns books 3d. 29. The Horse presented in Nov., 1803, to Colonel Fenton being unfit for service he

[1] The name "Town Regents," as applied to the Town Trustees, occurs here and also in 1808 and 1809. It seems to have been assumed without any warrant, and was soon discontinued; but the Town Collector was called the Town Regent for many years. The title was dropped after the death of Mr. Wm. Butcher in 1870. See also note on p. 396.

[2] The local Volunteers were called to arms and marched to Doncaster on a false alarm. They returned to Sheffield, 15th August, 1805, and were warmly received by their townsmen. See "Reminiscences of Old Sheffield," p. 281.

[3] Nelson's victory and death at Trafalgar occurred on the 21st October, 1805.

was returned to the Towns Trustees, when he was placed at the Hotel to be got into condition for sale, the expense as per accounts with 11s. 6d. given the ostler for his care 23 nights 3 li. 17s. 4d. Dec. 12. To do. paid postage of a letter from the Town Clerk of Glasgow giving information of a gang of villains here supposed to be connected with some detained there 1s. 8d. 1806. Jan. 16. To do. paid Montgomery for advertising the resolutions of the Easter Jury 1 li. 8s. 21. To do. paid James Montgomery for printing 300 notices to call meetings of the Trustees 9s. 23. To do. paid F. Chantry for a Bust of the late Rev. J. Wilkinson 10 li. 10s.[1] March 1. To do. paid William Jones and Ab. Deakin attending per order on three several evenings at the Post Office door to preserve the peace 10s. May 3. To do. the Ringers for ringing when news came of the victory by Sir Richard Strachan[2] 10s. 6d. This is the first payment to the Ringers since their salary was advanced. 5. To do. paid W. and J. Fairbank for a plan of the proposed road to Manchester 2 li. 12s. 6d. Sept. 3. To do. paid James Montgomery in full for advertising for a subscription for a naval pillar,[3] printing large bills, and posting and advertising the lamp contract as per receipt 3 li. 4s. 6d. 16. To do. paid postage of a letter from Sir Home Popham dated from Buenos Ayeres 1s. 6d. Nov. 15. To do. paid Mr. Robert Turner what he had paid for cleaning the Towns hall, and for 2 chaises to R. Outrams when in Treaty for Horse bought for Colonel Fenton 1 li. 10s. 6d. Dec. 31. To do. paid Robert Outram for a horse and sundry expences in twice going to Grindleford bridge to purchase him, being a donation to Mr. Fenton, the Lieut.-Colonel of the Sheffield Volunteer Infantry, and which is in lieu of one presented to him in Nov., 1803, and returned being found unfit, 29th Nov., 1805 110 li. 15s. 1807. March 3. To do. paid William Blagden,

[1] Francis Chantrey, then a young but promising artist, produced a bust of Vicar Wilkinson after his death. It met with general approval, and at a meeting at the Cutlers' Hall, 5th Aug., 1805, a committee was formed, and more than 100 subscribers obtained, for the purpose of erecting a monument to the late Vicar. Chantrey executed the bust in marble, working in his studio at Mr. Todd's, New Market street. Holland, in his *Memorials of Chantrey*, says this was done in the autumn of 1806. It seems more likely to have been done in the autumn of 1805. The payment mentioned in the text, 23rd Jan., 1806, appears to represent a subscription by the Town Trustees towards the marble bust.

[2] Admiral Sir R. J. Strachan, Bart., defeated a French squadron off Ferrol, 4th November, 1805, and blockaded Rochefort from 1806 to 1809.

[3] A project was set on foot after the death of Nelson to erect a "Naval Pillar" in honour of the fallen hero. The site talked of was near the church gates. The scheme fell through. See Holland's *Memorials of Chantrey*, p. 191, *et sequitur*.

the Towns subscription to Fullwood school 3 li. 3s. June 3. To do. S. B. Ward, being a donation from the Town towards lighting the lamps in Ecclesall Bierlow 5 li. 5s. 8. To do. paid J. Montgomery in full for advertising, &c. 6 li. 16s. 3d. To do. William Todd do. do. 5 li. 15s. [payments for "Improving the mode of pitching" the streets.] Nov. 11. To do. Isaac Barnes for throwing out in Campo lane 7 square yards of land to make the street more convenient [7s. 6d. per yard] 2 li. 12s. 6d.

1807 to 1811. Charge 5783 li. 12s. 11d., including these items. 1808. June 13. By Cash received of Mr. Wheat what the old Town hall sold for 168 li. 1809. Nov. 11. By Cash of Mr. Wheat in part of payment for some old Buildings sold near the new Town hall for 20 li., 1 li. 1s.

Discharge 5527 li. 2s. 2½d., including the following items. 1808. Jan. 18. To cash paid Mr. Sutton, the towns subscription to the Sunday school 5 li. 5s. Feb. 22. To cash paid Doctor Browne on account of new Town hall 500 li. July 13. To cash paid the Ringers on the defeat of the French by the Spanish patriots 10s. 6d. Sept. 1. To cash paid Doctor Browne 500 li., being the 2nd Payment to that amount, making together 1000 li. subscribed by the Regents towards building a new Town hall 500 li. 2. To cash paid the Ringers on the defeat of the French by Sir A. Wellesley in Portugal[1] 10s. 6d. 17. To cash paid the Ringers on the surrender of the Russian fleet to Sir C. Cotton 10s. 6d. 1809. March 14. To cash paid W. and J. Fairbank for a large map of the Town of Sheffield 15 li. 15s. May 8. To cash paid at the Tontine at a meeting of the Regents 11s. 6d. 31. To cash paid Charles Watson, the architect, for his plans of the intended new Town hall on Castle hill (as agreed at meeting) 50 li. June 1. To cash paid J. Montgomery's Bill for printing ordered at the meeting on the 8th May, 1809 18 li. 5s. 6d. June 9. To cash paid William Todd's bill for printing and advertisements on addressing the King 1 li. 12s. Oct. 2. To cash paid for James Wheat on account of the costs and expences incurred in defending the action against Barker and others concerning the market 100 li. Nov. 19. To cash paid the Ringers for ringing on Jubilee day[2] 1 li. 11s. 6d., and for ale 10s. 6d.—2 li. 2s Nov. 28. To cash paid Colonel Fenton for gunpowder used on the Jubilee day in firing the canon 71 times 10 li. 10s. Dec. 29. fire works

[1] Sir Arthur Wellesley, afterwards Duke of Wellington, took the command of the forces sent to the Peninsula, June, 1808. He landed 1st August, defeated de Laborde at Rolica, 17th August.

[2] The jubilee of King George III., 25th October, 1809.

used on the Jubilee day 16 li. 12s. 1810. April 2. To cash paid Mr. R. Hodgson for sundry expences on the mad dog account 1 li. 3s. May 25. To cash paid T. Hufton a subscription towards the quarter jacks at the Parish Church 5 li. 5s. June 5. To cash paid Thomas Foster for the Local Militia band playing at the dinner given to the officers of that Regiment 5 li. 5s. 11. To cash paid Batty and Son for a dinner given to the Local Militia officers 51 li. 9s. July 10. To cash paid R. Hodgson a subscription to Lancaster's school 10 li. 10s.[1] Sept. 3. To cash paid the Ringers for ringing for Sir Sidney Smith[2] 1 li. 1s. To do. paid the volunteer band for playing at the Tontine to Sir S. Smith 2 li. 2s. 13. To do. paid Ben. Walker for fruit at Sir S. Smith's breakfast 6 li. 2s. 6d. To do. paid Batty and Son for a breakfast at the Tontine to and with Sir S. Smith 39 li. 15s.[3] Nov. 10. To do. paid J. Montgomery his bill for printing respecting mad dogs 5 li. 12s. 6d. To do. paid William Todd his bill for do. 6 li. 12s. 1811. Oct. 17. To cash paid Thomas Hufton a subscription towards a survey of the intended Canal from the River Dun to the High Peak Junction Canal 5 li. 5s.

[Entry in Pencil.] To Balance due from Mr. Turner, the collector, carried to new account book 256 li. 10s. 8½d.

[Memorandum on last page of rough account book extending from 11th March, 1793, to 11th May, 1826.]

Sheffield, 8th April, 1795. I, Robert Taylor, agree to clean the streets in Sheffield one year from the date above for 80 li. and the manure. Witness my hand. Robert Taylor.

By agreement the 15th Sept., 1801. The following people were to compose a set of Ringers for St. Peter's Church in Sheffield. They commenced Ringing on Sunday, August 23rd, 1801, and are to ring on Sundays and King's days, which King's days are as hereafter expressed, to be 5 minutes on the Sundays before service in settling[4] the bells and about 10 minutes in chiming.

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[1] The Lancasterian school was established in 1809.

[2] Admiral Sir Sidney Smith, born 1764; died at Paris. 26th May, 1840. He performed distinguished services at Toulon, Acre, and Egypt from 1794 to 1801.

[3] Great complaints were made in the town about this entertainment to Sir Sidney Smith. It certainly seems extravagant. Note also £51. 9s. 0d. spent on a dinner to the local militia officers.

[4] Settle here means "to cause to rest," *i.e.*, to cease ringing for a time. See Skeats' *Dict*, and Addy's *Sheffield Glossary* on the local meaning of the

King's days.—Jan. 18, Queen's birthday. Jan. 30, King Charles's martyrdom. May 29, King Charles 2nd restoration. June 4 (?) King's Birthday. August 12, Prince of Wales' birthday. Sept. 22, King George 3rd crowned. Oct. 26th, King's Proclamation, and Nov. 5, Powder plot. Ringers' names. Richard Owen, William Lee, *Joseph Grayson*, *John Mozley*, *John Hall*, Robert Walton, William Bowen, *William Skinner*, *William Waller*, *James Eyley*, George Bert, *Benjamin Tibs*, William Booth. [in another hand], Samuel Willey, George Emery, William Creswick, Samuel Dutton, William Heald, and John Heald.[1]

[Memorandum on back of rough account book, 1821 to 1829.] Ringing for which the Trustees pay regularly, viz.—Jan. 29, The King's Accession. 30, King Charles's Martyrdom. April 19, The King's birthday kept. May 29, King Charles's Restoration. July 19, The King's Coronation. Aug. 12, The King's Birthday [Total] 23 guineas.

word. At Lincoln College, Oxford, the chapel bell tolls in the morning for five minutes, after which it ceases for two minutes, and then it tolls the day of the month. In Sheffield it appears that the interval or "settling" time was five minutes.

[1] The names set in italic are crossed out in the MS.

MINUTES.

From the 1st September, 1801, the Trustees kept their minutes in separate books from their accounts. The following are extracts from the two minute books that cover the period from 1802 to the 3rd February, 1848.

Quarto Minute Book beginning 1st September, 1802, and ending 22nd April, 1833.

Meeting held 1st Sept., 1802, at the Tontine Inn, for the purpose of executing the Deeds prepared to convey the estates of this Trust from the old to the new Trustees and for other purposes. The deeds were duly executed.

[Call for more Court House Accommodation.]

At the same meeting a memorial signed by the Rev. Mr. Wilkinson, R. A. Athorpe, Esq., Christopher Alderson, clerk, and Hugh Parker, Esq. (the four magistrates who usually act for this division of the West Riding), was presented to the Trustees, representing to their Trust (as well as to the Master Cutler and his Company) the very inconvenient place in which the said Justices were obliged to hold their fortnight meetings, not only wanting of every accommodation necessary for the transacting of public business, but injurious to the Health and even dangerous to the lives of the Magistrates usually attending there, and desiring the Town of Sheffield to provide more commodious and airy offices, whereupon the Trustees having taken such memorial into due consideration do resolve that it is necessary to procure a proper room for the accommodation of the Magistrates when they attend to the public business of the town and neighbourhood, and also a Court House for the holding of Sessions, as well as proper prisons for the safe custody of such prisoners as may be committed by the Magistrates of this division till the prisoners are finally examined and committed to the County gaol or the House of Correction, with other suitable offices for the better accommodation of the public police in this large and populous district, and it therefore appears to the Trustees present that it will be for the public benefit to build or promote the building of such accommodation by appropriating for these useful purposes an adequate sum of money out of the Funds of this Trust towards such an undertaking, and the Trustees being now informed by the agent of the Duke of Norfolk that his Grace intends forthwith to erect buildings and accommo-

dations for his Bailiff and for the debtors confined within his Franchise of Hallamshire, on the site of the Castle hill in the said town. Also resolve to make application to the Duke for a Lease of a sufficient Lot of ground on the said Castle hill (as the most convenient central situation for such erections), and at the same time to submit to his Grace the convenience, ornament, and saving that might arise from the Trustees being permitted to build their intended offices, &c., adjoining to his Grace's intended buildings and prisons, and upon a plan conformable thereto. Also resolve that the agent of the Duke be requested [to submit these resolutions to his Grace and report to the Trustees at their next meeting. Also to apply to the Master Cutler and to the County for their aid in so indispensable a work.]

[Town Musicians.]

[John Dawson appointed one of the musicians for the Town of Sheffield in the room of Richard Moseley deceased; and William Taylor appointed an additional musician at the usual salary.] Also resolve that the Towns musicians shall be at the discretional call of the Trustees upon any occasion which they shall think proper to demand their attendance, not to exceed four times in each year.

[Minute Book to be Kept.]

[A Book to be kept in which all resolutions and orders of the Trustees be regularly entered.]

[At Special meeting held at Tontine Inn, Monday, 19th Sept., 1803.]

[Volunteer Corps.]

It was represented to the said Trustees that a public subscription of the inhabitants of this Town has been lately opened for the purpose of raising a fund towards defraying the expences of a Volunteer Corps, and, it appearing to the Trustees present that the establishment of such a corps will be of most important service at this perilous crisis, the Trustees present think it their public duty to give their support to this military association by subscribing a sum of money in conformity with the practice of several public bodies in other parts of this kingdom, and do therefore now confirm the subscription lately entered into by their Collector, and do accordingly direct him to pay out of the public funds of this Trust the sum of 100 li. into one of the Banks of Sheffield in said subscription. It was also resolved that the thanks of this Body be given to Lieutenant-Colonel Fenton for the useful services which he rendered to this town and to the public by his assiduous attention to the discipline of the

Sheffield Volunteer Corps during the last war, and for his ready disposition to afford his essential services at the present momentous juncture of public affairs, and that two of this Body be commissioned to procure a charger, and to present it fully caparisoned to Lieut.-Colonel Fenton, requesting his acceptance of it as a Token of thanks and approbation of the Trustees for his gratuitous and useful services.[1] The Trustees having been informed that the present corps find some difficulty in obtaining a piece of ground proper for the exercising so large a body of men as the present corps, and the Trustees being desirous of assisting the said corps in every endeavour to qualify themselves for public service do resolve—That they will use their best endeavours to procure a proper piece of ground as near this town as may be, and of a capacity sufficient for the regular exercise of such corps, and that without any expense to their funds, and by which accommodation the Trustees hope they will give a mark of thanks to the said corps, to whom every attention is due as meriting the public assistance and support as Volunteers who offer their services in support of the best interests of the country in times of so much difficulty and danger. [Signed.] John Greaves, Vincent Eyre, John Rawson, Robert Turner, Samuel Staniforth, Jun., Rowland Hodgson.

[New Town Hall.]

At a meeting of the Trustees, 5th June, 1804. Whereas at a meeting of us, the said Trustees, held at the Tontine Inn, in Sheffield, on the 1st Sept., 1802, a memorial was presented to us by the Rev. James Wilkinson, R. A. Athorpe, Esq., the Rev. Christopher Alderson, and Hugh Parker, Esq., representing the very inconvenient place in which they were obliged to transact the public business of the Town, and desiring the said Town to provide more commodious and airy offices, whereupon we resolved that it was necessary to procure a proper room for the accommodation of the Magistrates; and also a Court House for the holding of Sessions, as well as proper prisons for the safe custody of such prisoners as might be committed by the said Magistrates till the said prisoners should be finally examined and committed by the said Magistrates to the county gaol or House of Correction, and that it would be for the public benefit to build or promote the building of such accommodation by appropriating for these useful purposes an adequate sum of money out of the funds of this Trust (which we have since fixed at one thousand pounds.) And whereas it is under-

[1] See pp. 401 to 404.

stood that his Grace the Duke of Norfolk proposes (on being allowed the said sum of 1000 li., and also the further sum of 500 li. agreed to be paid out of the County rate) to complete the said accommodations in conjunction with certain other Buildings which he is about to erect for the accommodation of his Bailiff and for the debtors confined within the Liberty of Hallamshire on the site of Castle hill, in the said town, upon a plan suggested by Mr. Charles Watson, of Wakefield, architect, the expense of carrying which plan into execution is estimated at 4000 li. And whereas the present Town's hall is unfit for any public business, and must necessarily be taken down, and the materials thereof may be now employed to advantage in the making of the said intended improvements. Now we, the said Trustees, do resolve that we think it expedient that the present Town's hall be forthwith taken down in order that the materials thereof may be applied to the said intended improvements in such manner as may be thought best, and we do therefore signify our approbation to the taking down of the said Town's hall and the application of the materials thereof to the purposes aforesaid.

[Volunteers.]

Then follows a resolution to subscribe a further sum of 100 li. towards the support of the Sheffield Volunteer Infantry. The Trustees signing the minute are Samuel Staniforth, Peter Brownell, Vincent Eyre, Rowland Hodgson, Robert Turner.

[Subscription to Yeomanry.]

19th August, 1804. Resolved to subscribe 52 li. 10s. in aid of the two Sheffield Troops of the Southern Regiment of West Riding Yeomanry. The Trustees signing the minute are Samuel Staniforth, Francis Fenton, John Greaves, Peter Brownell, Samuel Staniforth, Jun., Robert Turner.

[James Wheat Elected Clerk.]

At a meeting of the Trust held at the Tontine, 14th Feb., 1805, Mr. James Wheat was elected Clerk to succeed his late father. Trustees signing, John Rawson, Samuel Staniforth, Peter Brownell, Vincent Eyre, Francis Fenton, Robert Turner, Samuel Staniforth, Jun., John Greaves, Rowland Hodgson.

[New Town Hall.]

At a meeting of the Master Cutler and Trustees of the Town of Sheffield held this 12th Feb., 1805, it was resolved that accommodations are wanted for the Magistrates acting

in this populous District of the Riding, and also a secure prison for the temporary confinement and safe custody of felons, deserters, and disorderly persons. It was resolved that all proper accommodations for the Magistrates as well as proper prisons should be immediately provided. 3. It was resolved that such accommodation, &c., be built upon a piece of ground to be provided for that purpose. 4. That it is the opinion of this meeting that the different corporate bodies of the Town be convened before the 26th inst., in order to consider of the best mode of carrying the above resolutions into effect. 5. That it is the opinion of this meeting that Vincent Eyre, Esq., be invited to attend this meeting, and requested to transmit the above resolutions to his Grace the Duke of Norfolk, with an humble hope that his Grace would take the same into his consideration, and promote an undertaking which appears to be for the good of the Town and neighbourhood of Sheffield, and which this meeting feels the absolute necessity of using their utmost endeavours to carry into immediate execution. [Signed] William Nicholson, Master Cutler; Samuel Staniforth, Town Collector; Richard Swallow, Robert Turner, Francis Fenton, John Eyre, W. Younge, chairman. The undersigned Magistrates acting in this populous district have requested the above meeting to be convened, deeply impressed with the necessity that such measures should be adopted as are specified in the preceding Resolutions. C. Alderson, J. S. Wortley, Stewart Corbett, H. Parker, John Lowe, Jonathan Walker, James Cockshutt.

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At a meeting of the Master. Wardens, Searchers, and Assistants of the Company of Cutlers within Hallamshire, held at their hall in Sheffield, this 14th February, 1805, the annexed resolutions were read and approved, and it was afterwards resolved that the Cutlers' Company do subscribe out of the Company's funds to be applied towards erecting the Buildings mentioned in those resolutions the sum of 500 li., upon condition that the Buildings and the land on which the buildings are to be erected are so settled that the Cutlers' Company for the time being shall (in common with the other subscribers) have a right to make use of the Town hall (which is to be part of those Buildings) whenever they may have occasion for it. Samuel Staniforth, Town Collector; William Nicholson, Master Cutler.

[Pages 15, 16, 17 contain further resolutions about the new Town hall and the sale of the materials of the old one.

Pages 18 and 19 give copy of the advertisement to be inserted in the *Iris* asking for tenders for scavenging the streets.]

[Fire Engines.]

Also notice that in future the Town Trustees will not pay for the expense of the fire engines attending at fires, but the persons on whose property the fire may happen shall be liable to pay the expense.

[New Town Hall.]

[Page 20.] At a meeting of the Towns Trustees held at the Towns hall in Sheffield, the 14th March, 1805, it was resolved that the exterior of the intended new Towns hall and wings be built with good ashlar from the Tag stones quarry above Worral, the front to be cleansed. That the governor's house and prisons be built with the same stone and in the same style as the killing shambles. That the offices and conveniences adjoining the hotel be built with brick and fronted with the best stock brick, the inner walls with common brick. That the West Riding prisons be built with the same stone and in the same style as the governor's house above mentioned. That the best memel be used in completing the above buildings. That Mr. Watson have the plan and specification ready by Easter Monday, and that an advertisement be immediately inserted for Persons wishing to undertake the Buildings to attend at Mr. Watson's office to view the plans and specification. That the advertisement be inserted in the Sheffield *Iris*. That the persons willing to undertake the building give in their proposals within three weeks from that day. That Mr. Watson employ a mason or masons to be immediately getting and leading stone, and that the contractor for the buildings allow such mason or masons a fair price at Mr. Watson's discretion for such labour. [Then follows copy of advertisement.]

[Tenders New Town Hall.]

9th May, 1805. Meeting of the Trustees was held at the Tontine, when several tenders were given in, and Mr. Watson was instructed to prepare an estimate of the total expense based on these prices. It was also resolved to write to Mr. Eyre, stating that 500 li. had been received from the county rate, and 1000 li. promised by the Trustees, and 500 li. by the Cutler's Company, and asking Duke of Norfolk to adhere to his former proposal of paying the remainder of the expense.

31st May, 1805. Mr. Watson produced his estimate, which came to 5600 li. (instead of the 4000 li. talked of.)

The Duke of Norfolk's share of this would be, "according to a fair calculation," 2950 li. Resolved to ask his Grace to carry out his formal proposal, or advance the sum of 2950 li., "the Trustees conceiving from the opinion of Francis Hargreave, Esq., on the subject that they are not justified in subscribing otherwise than a certain sum towards the undertaking, and not in making themselves liable to any additional or extra expense."

[Musical Festival.]

[Page 26.] August 1st, 1805. Meeting of Trustees at Mr. Staniforth's, the Town Collector's office, in Nags head court, Sheffield, for the purpose of considering the propriety of guaranteeing the Hazard arising from the musical festival proposed to be held at the opening of the organ newly erected in St. Peter's Church. It was resolved that this Trust be named as patrons of the Festival along with the Church Burgesses, and that it be proposed to the Master Cutler and Company to become Patrons, also the three bodies jointly and in equal shares undertaking to guarantee the risk of any loss, and agreeing that whatever profit shall arise therefrom be applied to the benefit of the General Infirmary of this Town. Resolved further that in case of the Master Cutler and Company declining to accept the proposal before mentioned, the Town Trustees shall join the Church Burgesses in becoming guarantees of the risk arising from the proposed festival. Samuel Staniforth, Town Collector.

[Ringers Wages.]

Meeting, 11th Nov., 1805. Ringers to be allowed 20 guineas per annum from the 5th inst., besides their usual allowance on King's days, they being bound to ring the ten bells every Sunday, and in default thereof to be paid nothing except in cases of illness or other sufficient excuse, also to ring on particular occasions at the desire of the Town Collector upon a moderate customary compensation.

[Firemen.]

The resolutions of the engine and firemen submitted to this meeting being read, were unanimously rejected.

[Fire Engines.]

Resolved that the Insurance offices which have agents in Sheffield be applied to for an allowance towards the support of the Fire engines and payment of the Firemen's wages.

[Charger for Colonel Fenton.]

The charger presented by this Trust to Lieut.-Colonel Fenton at their meeting on the 19th Sept., 1803, proving unsteady and unfit for the purpose for which it was provided, resolved that a more proper horse be procured in exchange for the present one, and that Messrs. Eyre, Turner, Brownell, and Staniforth be appointed a committee to carry this resolution into effect.[1]

[Rugs for the Lobby.]

Ordered that three rugs be provided for the Lobby.

[Half-Yearly Meetings.]

Meeting, 13th March, 1806, held at the Angel Inn.

It was resolved that there be in future two regular half-yearly meetings in the year (viz.) on the 11th day of May and the 11th day of November in every year unless either of those days happen on a Sunday, in which case the said meetings shall be held on the following day, and that each of the Trustees who shall not attend the said meetings at the hour named by the Collector, unless prevented by illness or absence from home, shall forfeit five shillings for such non-attendance, and also 2s. 6d. for every neglect to attend any other meeting called by the Collector unless prevented as aforesaid.

[Obstructing the Streets.]

Ordered that notice be given to all persons obstructing the streets by placing out thereon articles for sale or otherwise that they will be prosecuted unless such nuisance be immediately removed.

[The Waits.]

Ordered that the public waits be paid the yearly allowance made to them for the present current year, and have notice that they will then be discontinued.

[Bank Account.]

Ordered that in future the Trust monies be deposited in one of the Banks, and that the payments be made by checks thereon.

[Court House.]

Ordered that our clerk obtain for the use of the Trust a copy of the Act now depending for enabling the West Riding Magistrates to apply part of the county rate towards building court houses, &c.

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[1] See pp. 401 to 404.

[Fire Engines.]

Ordered that Mr. John Furniss be applied to for the payment of 30s. for the attendance of the engines and firemen at his premises when on fire.

Nov. 11th, 1806. Petition for a few lamps in the lower part of Eyre Street and Furnival Street rejected on account of the low state of the funds of this Trust.

[New Town Hall.]

Meeting at the Angel Inn, Friday, 13th February, 1807. It was resolved that the sum of 1000 li. be subscribed from the funds of this Trust towards the erection of the intended public buildings, provided that this Trust be not liable to be called upon for any further subscription, and also provided that such accommodations can be procured as this Trust may require, and that they be secured in the full enjoyment of those accommodations in perpetuity as counsel may advise. It was also resolved that Mr. V. H. Eyre, Mr. Robert Turner, and Mr. Rowland Hodgson form a deputation from this Trust to attend the future meetings of the sub-committee appointed by the Town and adjacent Hamlets on the above subject. It was also resolved that Mr. R. Turner should present the above resolutions to the chairman of the said committee at their meeting this evening.

[Plan of the Town.]

It was also resolved that the Trustees individually have no objection to subscribe to Mr. Fairbank's scheme of a general plan of the Town of Sheffield, but cannot pledge themselves as a body to procure any particular number of subscribers. The Trustees are, however, willing to give Messrs. Fairbank 15 li. 15s. for such a plan as he mentions, and to engage that no use shall be made of it except for the purposes of this Trust.

[Scavenging.]

The 100 li. to have been paid by this Trust to the surveyors of the Highways of Sheffield having been granted for the purpose of having the streets properly scavenged, and that having been totally neglected, it was also resolved that the said surveyors are not entitled to any part of the said sum of 100 li., and that the said resolution be signified to them. But if the said surveyors will undertake the scavenging of the streets in future this Trust have no objection to allow 50 li. towards the new pitching of the streets for the last year.

[Tenants in arrear to be notified and then distrained on without further notice.]

[Fire Engines.]

Meeting, 27th Feb., 1807, at the Tontine Inn. Resolved to hand over the fire engines to the Birmingham fire office, and recommend the Inhabitants to encourage that office by giving it a preference in any insurances they have to make. Firemen will attend all fires, but when the premises are not insured in the Birmingham fire office the occupier to defray expences.

[Site of New Town Hall.]

Tontine, 9th April, 1807. Possession may be had in November next of 684 square yards of ground, bounded east by Waingate and south by Castle Street. If disposed of by exchange the Trustees fix 1125 li. as the price of the premises, being 525 li. for the ground and 600 li. to be paid to the present tenants by way of compensation. If let for a term of 800 years the Trustees fix 6d. per square yard as the yearly rent independently of the above compensation to be made to the Tenants, but if the general plan of uniting with the Cutlers' Company should be found impracticable and be abandoned the Trustees in that case undertake to make the necessary accommodation for the Town and Magistrates on having the sums raised by the Hamlets and obtained from the county rate placed at their disposal.

Meeting, 13th April, 1807. It was resolved that in addition to the 1000 li. subscribed by this Trust they will appropriate 684 square yards of ground, bounded east by Waingate and south by Castle Street, and the old materials on the premises for the purpose of the intended new Town's hall, prisons, and accommodations for the Magistrates without charging any rent for the same, provided that the above ground remains vested in this Trust, and that the committee make satisfaction to the present Tenants, which is estimated at 600 li.

[Campo Lane.]

Tontine, 11th May, 1807. 2 li. 12s. 6d. allowed Mr. Barnes for throwing out 7 square yards of land to the street in Campo Lane.

[Lighting.]

Mr. Milner undertakes to light the Town for the ensuing year at 13s. 3d. per lamp.

[Town Hall.]

Our clerk to communicate with Mr. Rimington and Mr. John Watson on the proposed declaration of Trust in respect of the intended new public buildings.

[SCAVENGING.]

The surveyors of Highways in Sheffield to be allowed 100 li. for the current year towards scavenging and pitching the streets.

[TOWN COLLECTOR.]

The office of Collector to be held in future for only two years together, and that office to be filled in the following succession, viz., V. H. Eyre, Robert Turner, Francis Fenton, John Rawson, Peter Brownhill, Rowland Hodgson, Samuel Staniforth (linen draper), John Shore: John Greaves, and Samuel Staniforth (wine merchant), having before served. [Signed by] Robert Turner, Francis Fenton, John Rawson, Peter Brownell, Rowland Hodgson, Samuel Staniforth, Jun.

[TOWN COLLECTOR.]

18th November, 1807. Mr. Eyre having pleaded numerous engagements, and asked to be excused, Mr. Turner was unanimously elected for the present and ensuing year.

[VOLUNTEERS.]

Subscription ordered of 50 guineas to the Sheffield Volunteer Infantry.

[TOWN LAMPS.]

Advertisement in the papers and handbills against the breakers of the Town lamps.

[ARCHITECT OF THE NEW TOWN HALL.]

Minutes of a Town meeting, 16th March, 1808. Ordered payment of 31 li. 10s. to Mr. Charles Watson, architect, for his trouble and attendances respecting the intended new public buildings, in hopes that the Duke of Norfolk will contribute 10 li. 10s. and the building committee 10 li. 10s.

[OLD TOWN HALL.]

Ordered that the old Town hall be advertised for sale by auction on Friday, the 25th inst., to be taken down and removed in the course of a month, and 160 li. to be the buying in price. Ordered that this Trust do pay not exceeding 60 li. towards making the cellars under the intended new Town hall on having the liberty of letting them.

[VOLUNTEERS.]

26th May, 1808. Ordered that 21 li. per annum be subscribed towards providing a piece of ground for exercising the Sheffield Volunteer Infantry in execution of our order 19th September, 1803.

[Town Lamps.]

20th Feb., 1809 (? 1808). The Lamps in Watson's Walk, put up by Mr. Samuel Turner, to be taken into the number of Town lamps and lighted accordingly.

[Lancasterian School.]

The application to the Trust to become subscribers to the scheme of a public school on Mr. Lancaster's plan to stand over for the consideration of a full meeting.

[New Town Hall.]

The subject of taking down the other houses in Waingate to be then also considered, as well as the appropriation of a further piece of ground for the accommodation of the new Town hall.

[St. James's Churchyard.]

11th Nov., 1808. 52 li. 10s. subscribed towards the scheme for enlarging St. James's Churchyard, to be made 105 li. if Mr. Barnes's new buildings can also be obtained. Mr. Brownell on the part of the Building Committee stated to this meeting that 30 feet in depth would be wanted from the low corner of the new Town hall down Waingate for a court, and 12 feet in depth on the west side of the said Town hall. Resolved that Samuel Kaye's Trustees and Thomas Moxon should be allowed the old materials on their pulling down the old buildings proposed to be thrown back to widen Waingate.

[Address to the King.]

Tontine Inn, 24th Sept., 1808. At a meeting of the Town Trustees held this day for the purpose of considering the address to his Majesty, voted yesterday by a public meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town and neighbourhood at the Cutlers' hall, and for deciding on the propriety of empowering the Town Collector to affix the seal of the Trust to the said address; present, Mr. Robert Turner, the Collector; Vincent Eyre, Rowland Hodgson, John Greaves, Samuel Staniforth, wine merchant; Samuel Staniforth, mercer; Peter Brownell. It was resolved that Mr. Robert Turner be empowered to affix the seal of the Trust to the address as voted at the said meeting; that Mr. Brownell be desired to communicate the above resolution to Mr. Rhodes, the Master Cutler, and to express the regret of the Trust on being informed that the Company of Cutlers have come to an opposite decision with respect to their seal, the motives for which this Trust is at a loss to discover, considering the full information already before the public in the "Gazette" and the oppor-

tunity which Ministers have had of removing the impression so generally prevalent in the public mind, and expressed even in those papers usually considered under Ministerial influence. That Mr. Rhodes be requested to take it into his consideration whether there would be any impropriety in his giving his Company an opportunity by another call of revising their resolution.

[Town Hall Site.]

28th March, 1809. Ordered that it be communicated to the Building Committee that this Trust have not any objection to alienate the ground upon which the new public buildings are erected (provided they have power) upon reasonable terms.

[Unwholesome Meat.]

Henry Womack to be prosecuted for exposing unwholesome meat for sale.

[Mr. Montgomery.]

8th May, 1809. Mr. Montgomery's Bill (18 li. 15s. 6d.) also to be paid with a notice to the printers that no further advertisements will be paid for unless ordered by the Town Collector.

[Bad Meat.]

The Easter Jury to be applied to for a Fine on Womack for exposing bad meat for sale, and the overlookers of the market to be protected in their defence to the action brought against them by Laister.

[Estimate for the New Town Hall.]

Copy estimate.—139 yards of land with the old buildings on the north end of the Town hall for the use of the prisons, 175 li.; 24 yards of land and part of a building belonging to Mr. Bramley for do., 140 li.; 19 yards of land and Buildings upon it belonging to Mr. Pearson for do., 100 li. The whole of Messrs. Bramley and Pearson's premises estimated at 700 li.; deduct 240 li.—460 li.; old materials suppose, 200 li. —260 li.; the above 139 yards of land, 175 li.—85 li. 1809, May 29th. Ordered that the resumption of the whole of Mr. Bramley's and Mr. Pearson's premises in Castle Green be carried into execution on the above plan as near as may be, and that they have notice that Mr. Badger is appointed a valuer on the part of this Trust to estimate the price of resumption, and that they be forthwith required under the clause in their leases for that purpose to name a valuer on their part. Robert Turner, Peter Brownell, Rowland Hodgson, Samuel Staniforth, Jun., Francis Fenton.

[Public Lamps.]

2nd July, 1809. (Tender for lighting the public lamps.) Mr. Thomas Milner having proposed to light the said lamps one hundred nights between the 19th September, 1809, and the 25th March, 1810, to furnish them with good and proper cotton, oil, tow, and any other requisite, and to take the risk of all breakages of glasses, repairs of taps, &c., at 11s. 4d. each lamp for the season. Ordered that said proposal be accepted, the said Thomas Milner finding a sufficient surety for the performance of his agreement, and engaging at the end of the season to deliver up the said lamps (now 599) in good repair and condition, and also engaging in consideration of 13 li. 10s. to replace all cracked or strapped lamps with other lamps of clear, sound glass globes.

[Hartshead.]

Ordered that Mr. Samuel Turner be paid 5 li. 5s. for the plan he ordered under the direction of this Trust for the proposed alterations in the Hartshead.

[Bramley's Lease.]

28th August, 1809. Mr. Bramley to have a lease for 99 years, throwing out 24 yards of land wanted by the Building Committee; yearly rent 8 guineas. He allowed 140 li. and the old materials of his present buildings.

[Castle Street.]

Ordered that the sum of ten guineas be given by this Trust to Mr. Travis for having thrown out a shred of ground to Castle Street. Ordered that the sum of 15 li. 15s. be given by this Trust to the Church Burgesses for throwing out a shred of ground to Castle Street on their Tenants rebuilding the fronts of their premises.

[Lamps.]

11th Nov., 1809. Ordered that the sum of five guineas a year be contributed by this Trust towards lighting the lamps on Bridgehouses.

[Jubilee Salute.]

Ordered that Lieut.-Colonel Fenton be reimbursed out of the funds of this Trust the sum of ten guineas expended by him in firing the great guns on occasion of the Jubilee on the 25th October, and that the Collector also pay for the Fireworks and coals provided on that occasion.

[Castle Green.]

Ordered that the sum of 300 li. be offered to Mr. Pearson for his interest in the premises in Castle Green, late John Eyre's. [Dec., 1809. Pearson gets 320 li.]

[Lancasterian School.]

7th March, 1810. Ordered that the Trust do subscribe Ten guineas towards the public school on Mr. Lancaster's plan.

[Bad Meat.]

Ordered that the further defence of Barker and others to the action brought against them by Laister for seizing bad meat in the market be undertaken by this Trust.

[Scavenging.]

23rd July, 1810. Ordered that the cleaning of the Town streets be let to Robert Taylor [William Hydes interlined] for the current year at 105 li., payable quarterly, he finding a horse and cart and all necessary tools and Implements, and being allowed the manure, &c., arising from the scavenging, the contract to be dissolvable at the end of any quarter if the work be not done to the satisfaction of the Trust.

[Bad Meat.]

Ordered that a memorial be presented to the Duke of Norfolk through his agent, Mr. Eyre, stating the circumstances of the case respecting the defence against the action for seizing bad meat undertaken by this Trust, and praying his Grace to direct the expences attending such defence to be repaid.

[Proposed Improvement Act.]

30th Jan., 1811. "The offer made by the Town Trustees to the requisitionists previous to the public meeting having been rejected, and the second resolution of that meeting going the length of appropriating the whole of the Trust funds towards the purposes of the proposed Act, the Town Trustees feel themselves obliged to decline any conference with the deputation from the committee on the above subject." A copy of the above resolution to be sent to Mr. Tillotson in answer to his letter of the 3rd inst. 11th Feb., 1811. "With a committee empowered to confer only on the appropriation of the whole of the Trust funds the Town Trustees must decline any communication respecting the permanent disposal of a part, but will be prepared to state to the next public meeting their intentions on the subject." A copy of the above resolution to be sent to Mr. Tillotson in

answer to his letter of the 5th inst. "Resolved that this Trust do give 500 li. towards the purposes of the proposed Act for lighting, paving, and watching the Town, payable within two years from the passing of the said Act." Resolved that another meeting of this Trust be called as soon as the next proposed public meeting is announced, and that Mr. Hugh Parker, Mr. Sutton, Dr. Davis, Mr. Leader, and Mr. Brown be requested to meet the Trustees. [P. 70.]

[Sunday School.]

Ordered that a donation of 10 li. be given by this Trust towards the intended Sunday school near Sheffield Moor.

[Improvement Act.]

Town hall, 20th March, 1811. The Town Trustees being of opinion that an act for lighting, cleansing, and watching the Town is desirable, in order to give their best support to the measure have resolved to increase the contribution already proposed by them from 500 li. to 2000 li. payable within two years from the passing of the act for the above purposes, such act to be previously approved by them; and have also resolved in addition to the above sum to give up to the commissioners to be appointed by the said act the present Town lamps and their appendages for the public use.

[Fire Engines.]

Town hall, 18th April, 1811. Ordered that the Birmingham Fire office be at liberty to station one of the engines at Attercliffe, the insurances made there being to be considered as Sheffield Insurances. Ordered that counsel's opinion be taken on the subject of the election of Trustees and the propriety of publishing accounts.

[High Peak Junction Canal.]

Town hall, 10th June, 1811. Ordered that 5 li. 5s. be subscribed by this Trust towards a survey by Mr. Josiah Fairbank, of the best line for a canal to join the proposed High Peak junction canal.

[Election of Trustees.]

The opinion of Mr. Leach, dated 28th May, 1811, having been read, ordered that the election of three new Trustees and the filing of a bill supplement be considered as the basis of the future proceedings of this Trust, and that the above basis be acted upon as soon as possible, and the necessary steps preparatory thereto be immediately taken. 1st July, 1811. Ordered that the Bellman give notice on Friday next

of a meeting of freeholders at the Town hall, on Friday following, at 10 o'clock, to elect three new Trustees to make up the number 13.

[Angel Street.]

Ordered that 150 li. be given for throwing out 50 square yards of ground or thereabouts to the street in front of Mr. Peech's property in Angel Street, so that a straight line may be drawn from Mr. Turner's house below to Mr. Winn's house above.

[Qualification of Electors.]

At a general meeting of the Town Trustees, on Monday, the 22nd day of July, 1811, it was resolved that the present Trustees of the Town cannot compromise the rights of the freeholders nor deprive them of their elective franchise, those rights having been exercised by them for nearly a century past. That the Trustees who sat as freeholders at a meeting called for an election of new Trustees on the 12th inst. had no right to pledge their body to any measure not sanctioned by a majority upon a deliberate consideration of the same. That the Trustees entirely disapprove of giving up their papers or documents further than such part of the cases and opinions of counsel as relate to the right of elections. That these resolutions be communicated to the gentlemen forming the committee deputed by a public meeting on the 5th day of April last. Present, Robert Turner, S. Staniforth, R. Hodgson, John Greaves, Peter Brownell, John Rawson, V. H. Eyre, F. Fenton.[1]

[Bill in Chancery.]

1811, August 28th. Resolved that our clerk now have positive instructions to take immediate and decisive steps for filing a bill of supplement to the information already filed in the Court of Chancery for the purpose of obtaining a new scheme for the future management of the Trust, and that the necessary papers and documents be immediately procured from the files of the Court, and a full statement of subsequent facts be forthwith prepared as instructions for counsel to draw such supplemental Bill according to the advice of Mr. Hargreave and the late opinion of Mr. Leach. [Signed] John Greaves, Rowland Hodgson, Robert Turner, Vincent Eyre, Francis Fenton, John Rawson, Peter Brownell.

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[1] A pamphlet was published in 1820, entitled "Report of the Committee appointed at a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Sheffield, for the purpose of obtaining a proper and specific Settlement of the Trust." The Committee was appointed in 1811 and reported in 1820. There is small present interest in this old controversy.

[Baslow Turnpike Road.]

Town hall, 13th Feb., 1812. Ordered that 200 li. be subscribed by this Trust towards the proposed Turnpike road to Baslow by Abbeydale.

[Bell's School.]

Ordered that 50 li. be subscribed by this Trust towards the Education of the Poor of Sheffield upon the plan of Dr. Bell.

[Bad Meat.]

Ordered balance of expense of defence of Barker and others against Laister (130 li. 11s.) be paid, and that a deputation lay the subject before the Duke of Norfolk in support of the memorial already left with his Grace's agent.

[Purchase of Fish to Benefit the Poor.]

11th Nov., 1812. Resolved that the Trustees of the Town do advance the sum of 200 li., being part of a sum of 400 li. to purchase 20 tons of fish, to be brought into the public market as the demand may require, and sold at such price as may be deemed requisite to cover prime cost and expences. The said 200 li. to be repaid in such proportions as the same may come in, subject, however, to any loss which may possibly arise out of a failure in the scheme, in such proportion as the other subscribers thereto may be obliged to bear. On the contrary, should any profit result the same to be paid over to the society for bettering the condition of the Poor, it being understood that the whole scheme is calculated to benefit the Poor, and with no other view. Present, Robert Turner, P. Brownell, John Greaves, John Rawson, Rowland Hodgson.

[Town Hall.]

Town hall, 21st Nov., 1812. At a meeting of the Town Trustees held this day, present Mr. Turner, Mr. Brownell, Mr. Hodgson, and Mr. Greaves, a request was presented from the Building Committee of the Town hall for the loan of 70 li. to discharge the workmen's bills of the said undertaking until the same can be recovered from the Magistrates of the county. It was resolved that Mr. Turner be desired to advance the said sum out of the Town funds to the chairman of the Building Committee for the above purpose.

[Baslow Road.]

Town hall, 22nd Feb., 1813. The Trustees declined to increase their subscriptions to the new branches of the road from Sheffield to Totley, Baslow, &c.

[Bettering Society.]

10 li. 10s. subscribed to the Sheffield society for bettering the condition and increasing the comforts of the Poor.

[Volunteer Drill Ground.]

Trustees agreed to take upon themselves to settle with the Duke of Norfolk for 37 li. 16s., two years' rent due Michaelmas, 1811, for the field used by the volunteers and local militia.

[Schools.]

19th July, 1813. 20 guineas voted to Sheffield National School, 10 guineas to the Sheffield Lancasterian School in consideration of the distressed state of the funds of those institutions.

[Town Hall.]

Resolved that an extract be made from the Town's accounts of all payments for the Town hall and prisons, and an estimate be prepared of the supposed annual expenditure on the above account preparatory to an application to next Pontefract sessions for the repayment of the past expences and an allowance towards the future.

[Town Lamps.]

23rd August, 1813. Mr. Walker to have contract for lighting the Town lamps at 18s. per lamp.

[Baslow Road.]

Resolution of 22nd Feb. respecting further contribution to the new branches of the road from Sheffield to Totley, Baslow, &c., be rescinded, and that 20 li. per cent. be subscribed in addition to the 200 li. already subscribed by the Trustees.

[Tinsley Canal.]

Town hall, 29th July, 1814. At a meeting of the Town Trustees held this day at the Town hall, it was resolved that this Trust do take Ten shares in the proposed canal from Tinsley to Sheffield on the south side of the River Don.[1]

[1] On the 7th June, 1815, the Royal assent was given to "An Act for Making and Maintaining a Navigable Canal from Sheffield to Tinsley, in the West Riding of the County of York." The solicitors promoting the Bill were Bernard John Wake and Benjamin Burbeary. The Act is a long one, filling one hundred pages of foolscap.

[Volunteers.]

Town hall, 21st Sept., 1814. Ordered that if payment of 26 li. 7s. charged by the War Office to Lord Effingham on account of the Sheffield Volunteers be ultimately required this Trust do discharge the same.

625 lamps let at 15s. per lamp to Mr. Walker.

[Angel Street Improvement.]

Ordered that 210 li. be given by the Trust for throwing out about 50 square yards of ground in front of the late Mr. Peech's property in Angel Street, so that a line may be drawn from Mr. Robert Turner's house to Mr. Thomas Winn's premises.

[Infirmary.]

Donation of 50 li. to the Sheffield General Infirmary renewed, "trusting that the committee appointed to form regulations for the future government of that charity will be induced to continue their laudable exertions."

[Scheme for Application of the Funds.]

Ordered that the Collector, with Mr. Brownell and Mr. Hodgson, form a committee for preparing the proposed scheme to be submitted to the Master for the future application of the Trust funds.

[Street Obstruction.]

Ordered that this Trust do support the surveyors of the Highways in the removal of obstructions in the streets, and do indemnify them from any action in consequence thereof.

[The Lord's House, Fargate.]

22nd Jan., 1817. Resolved that this Trust do purchase the projecting circular piece of ground in front of the Duke of Norfolk's House, at the top of Fargate, to be laid to the street at 30s. per square yard, the quantity to be ascertained by Mr. Fairbank.

[Town Beadle.]

Sergeant Waterfall appointed Town Beadle from 23rd inst., at 20 li. per annum, on his engaging within six months entirely to give up keeping a public house either directly or indirectly, or on his neglecting to comply with the above condition the appointment to be void. (Six Trustees present.)

[Poor Relief.]

Town hall, 6th Jan., 1817. Ordered that this Trust subscribe towards the relief of the Poor at the public meeting

for that purpose on the 8th inst. the same sum as the Cutlers' Company, provided their subscription does not exceed 105 li.

[PETITION AGAINST CLIMBING BOYS.]

Town hall, 28th April, 1817. Ordered that the seal of this Trust be affixed to the proposed petition to Parliament for the abolition of the sweeping of chimneys by climbing Boys.

[QUEEN STREET.]

Ordered that Mr. Fairbank ascertain how much of the leasehold property held by Mr. Hazlehurst of this Trust would be affected by a line of communication from the end of Queen Street to the corner of No. 63, map vii., in West Bar Green.

[IMPROVEMENT ACT.]

Ordered that the regular notice be given for an Act for the better paving, lighting, and watching the streets of the Town of Sheffield and of the avenues leading thereto previous to the next session of Parliament.

[PEACE PRESERVATION.]

17th June, 1817. The funds of this Trust being in so exhausted a state, the Trustees find that they have it not in their power to pledge themselves to any uncertain sum towards the expense of supporting the measures proposed by the Magistrates for preserving the public peace, but that if no other means can be found for raising the money the Trustees have no objection to pledge themselves for the sum of 50 li.

[THE LORD'S HOUSE.]

11th Nov., 1817. Ordered that the value of the Eaves drop be deducted from the amount of the purchase money to be paid by this Trust for the circular piece of ground in front of the House in Fargate, formerly occupied by the Duke of Norfolk's steward.

[LOAN.]

Ordered that this Trust borrow of the School Governors the sum of 600 li. about to be paid off to them by the Church Burgesses.

[NEW TRUSTEES.]

At a meeting on the 24th Dec., 1817, Thomas Asline Ward, Samuel Mitchell, and Benjamin Withers, Jun., sign for the first time along with Turner, Brownell, Staniforth, Greaves, and Fenton.

[Improvement Act.]

29th Dec., 1817. It having at a meeting of the acting Magistrates, the public bodies, and the public officers of the Town on the 26th inst. been resolved that it should be recommended to this Trust to apply to Parliament for an act for better lighting, watching, and cleansing the Town, and to be at the expense of such application, resolved that this Trust be at the expence of preparing and soliciting a Bill for the above purposes, provided the provisions thereof as finally settled for presentment be approved of by this Trust, and provided the Trustees be solicited to proceed with the measure by the meeting to which the final arrangement of the Bill is referred. 9th Jan., 1818. Trustees decline to agree to the bill containing a clause for the payment of a sum of 500 li. a year towards the purposes of the act out of the funds of the Trust. 14th Jan., 1818. Trustees are willing to contribute an annual sum as the state of their funds and other public claims upon them may permit.

[Glossop Turnpike Road.]

Mr. Houseman, agent of the Duke of Norfolk, submitted plan of proposed turnpike road from Sheffield to Glossop. Trust approved plan and agreed to advance 200 li. to the undertaking, "provided the said road enter the town of Sheffield at Town head cross, through West Street according to the plan now produced and not otherwise."

[Improvement Act.]

2nd Feb., 1818. Resolved that there be an annual election of new Commissioners (under the Act) on *any* vacancy; that there be a clause empowering the Commissioners to compound with the Inhabitants for sweeping causeways; that the watchmen be authorised to apprehend *disorderly* as well as suspicious persons. Mr. Turner (collector) and Mr. Brownell to attend the committees on this bill in its passage through Parliament. 17th Feb., 1818. Resolved to approve the bill as altered at the public meeting on the 6th inst., and that the Trust agree to take the same into Parliament.

[Cellars under Town Hall.]

11th Nov., 1818. Resolved that a notice be put up for letting the cellars under the Town hall now vacant. Ordered that any Trustee may have the documents relating to the Trust for his Inspection on giving a Receipt for the same to the Clerk.

[Petition against Coal Tax.]

11th March, 1819. Ordered that the seal of this Trust be affixed to the proposed petition to Parliament respecting the coal tax voted at the public meeting held at the Town hall yesterday.

[State Lottery.]

Ordered that the seal of this Trust be affixed to the proposed petition to Parliament respecting the State Lottery voted at the public meeting held at the Town hall yesterday.

[Relief of Churchwardens.]

Sheffield, 3rd May, 1819. At a meeting of the Town Trustees this day to take into consideration the propriety of subscribing to the relief of the late Churchwardens under their present embarrassments, resolved that this body cannot consistently with the nature of their trust apply any part of their funds to the above object.

[Mad Dogs.]

Sheffield, 16th May, 1819. At a special meeting of the Town Trustees this day to take into consideration the propriety of aiding the Magistrates in the measures adopted by them at the public meeting held this morning at the Cutlers' hall respecting mad dogs, resolved that this Trust cannot co-operate with the Magistrates and the public meeting on the present occasion for the purpose of suppressing the evil complained of in the manner conveyed in the public notice, resolved that a copy of the above resolution be immediately handed to the committee appointed at the public meeting this morning.

[Bettering Condition of Poor.]

12th July, 1819. 30 guineas contributed to the Society for Bettering the Condition of the Poor.

[Prince Leopold of Saxe Coburg.]

Sheffield, 5th October, 1819, 12 o'clock at noon. At a meeting of the Town Trustees (at which were present the Master Cutler and Wardens and the Capital Church Burgess) to determine on the best mode of receiving Prince Leopold of Saxe Coburg on his visiting Sheffield, resolved that a congratulatory address be presented to the Prince; that Mr. Sutton, Dr. Younge, Mr. Turner, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Ward, and Mr. Brownell be requested to prepare the same; that Mr. Turner, Mr. Brownell, and Mr. Skelton be deputed to wait upon the Magistrates to communicate to them the above resolutions and to consult them on the subject.

Sheffield, 5th October, 1819, 4 o'clock P.M. At a meeting of the gentlemen deputed to draw the address, it was, on the recommendation of the Magistrates, who had since the meeting at 12 o'clock been consulted on the subject by Mr. Turner, Mr. Brownell, and Mr. Skelton, agreed (Mr. Ward alone dissenting) that the proposed address should be abandoned and that the Prince should be invited to a Breakfast. A pencil note says, "Mr. Ward was not present at the above meeting, which was held unknown to him. Mr. Sutton, Dr. Younge, and Mr. Wilson."

Sheffield, 5th Oct., 1819, 6 o'clock P.M. At a meeting of the Town Trustees, the Cutlers' Company having reported that they were willing to bear half the expense of a breakfast, it was resolved that Mr. Turner be requested to go to Wentworth House for the purpose of arranging with Mr. Lowe about the suitable reception of Prince Leopold at a breakfast to be given by the Cutlers' Company and this Trust at the Tontine, to which the Church Burgesses, the Clergy, the Magistrates, and the officers of the Barracks shall be invited. A pencil note says, "Mr. Ward believes there was not a sufficient number of Trustees present to make the above alteration."

[Gas Lamps.]

Sheffield, 11th Nov., 1819. Ordered that Mr. Withers be requested to superintend the putting up of two lamps at the Town hall, and to ascertain the price at which the Gas Company will provide gas for lighting such two lamps . . . with similar burners to those in the present gas lamps lighted by the Commissioners of Police, the Gas Company laying the service pipes and upright tubes, and lighting and cleaning the above lamps.[1]

[Address to George IV.]

Sheffield, 4th March, 1820. At a meeting of the Town Trustees to determine about concurring with the Cutlers' Company and the Church Burgesses in an address to his present Majesty on the death of the late King and his own accession to the Throne, it was resolved that this Trust do concur in such address, and that Mr. Fenton and Mr. Wheat be deputed to settle the form thereof with Messrs. Rimington and Wilson.

[Town Beadle.]

11th May, 1820. John Waterfall, beadle, having been appointed one of the acting constables, Jeremiah Saynor was

[1] The first Act for lighting Sheffield with gas received the Royal assent on the 23rd May, 1818.

elected in his place; to wear the Town livery upon all public occasions, and when in attendance on this Trust. The Beadle's wife and only two children to reside with him in the Town hall, and that if he does not comply with the above requisition he shall be subject to immediate dismissal. A pencil note says, "to reside at the Town hall; to attend the Parish Church wardens" (four other words illegible.) On opposite page also in pencil, "elected during pleasure, give up office and quit premises on one calendar month's notice from the Trustees or their collector for the time being, to deliver notices for meetings and attend same."

[George IV.'s Coronation.]

Sheffield, 21st June, 1820. At a meeting of the Town Collector and his assistants for the purpose of determining upon the best mode of celebrating his Majesty's Coronation on the 1st August next, resolved that this Trust do subscribe the sum of fifteen guineas towards a public exhibition of fireworks on the above occasion, and a further sum of 4 li. 5s., making together 20 li. to defray the expense of firing the great guns. Also resolved that a sum not exceeding 25 gs. be subscribed by this Trust towards the expense of providing 59 coats and hats to be given to that number of poor men of the age of the King or upwards and householders resident in the parish of Sheffield on the above occasion, provided the Cutlers' Company and the Church Burgesses agree to subscribe each the same sum out of their funds for the above purpose. Also resolved that this Trust be at the expense of lighting the two lamps at the Post Office beyond the number of 130 nights lighted by the Commissioners of Police.[1]

[Bellman's House.]

16th Sept., 1820. Trustees decline to turn out the Bellman from his present residence in order that his house may be appropriated as a watch house, &c., for the confinement of persons taken into custody by the watchmen as requested by the Police Commissioners.

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[1] A Police Act, for the better watching, lighting, and cleansing of the town, received the Royal assent 16th May, 1818. Under this Act Commissioners of Police, or Improvement Commissioners, were established, and took over from the Town Trustees the duties of lighting, watching, and cleansing the town. It will have been noticed, from entries above, that the Town Trustees promoted this Act. The duties of the Improvement Commissioners became finally merged in the new Corporation in 1864, when the Town Council adopted the Local Government Act. See *ante*, pp. 422-23 and 428-29.

[Gas Lamps.]

Trustees agree to subscribe 40 guineas to the Commissioners of Police towards the expense of providing cast metal pillars for supporting gas lamps, situation and decorations of the pillars to be approved by the Trustees.

[Barker Pool.]

That Mr. Withers be deputed by this Trust to ascertain upon what terms Mr. Goodwin and others would be willing to dispose of the Premises belonging to them at the top of Barker's pool leading to Division Street.

[York Street Improvement.]

That this Trust do meet at the Town hall, on Monday, 2nd Oct. next, at 12 o'clock, to take into consideration the proposed Improvement between York Street and West Barr.

[Townhead Street.]

Sheffield, 2nd Oct., 1820. At a meeting of the Town Trustees held at the Town hall, "It was resolved that this Trust be at the expence of building a wall opposite to the property of Mrs. Marshall in Townhead Street, provide she will consent to give up the ground projecting into the street."

[Gas Pillars.]

Plan of cast metal pillars approved. Brownell and Withers authorised to treat for purchase of the land and premises belonging to Mr. Goodwin and Mr. Sephton, situate at the top of Barker's pool.

[Pinson Street Improvement.]

Sheffield, 11th Nov., 1820. Mitchell, Withers, and Brownell to treat for purchase of premises on the west side of Pinson Street, belonging to the late Mr. Wakefield and others, in order to widen the north end of the said street.

[Turner, "Town Regent."]

Mr. Turner having this day passed his accounts for the last 7 years to the great satisfaction of the Trustees, resolved that he be respectfully requested to continue in the office of Town Regent ("regent" struck out in pencil and "collector" written in), and to superintend the Trust accounts as heretofore.[1]

[1] See notes on "Town Regents," pp. 396 and 403.

[Loyal Address to George IV.]

15th Dec., 1820. Resolved that this Trust do concur with the Corporate bodies and the Magistrates in a loyal address to his Majesty, the form thereof to be settled by the Town Collector on behalf of this Trust.

[Schools.]

Resolved to subscribe 30 gs. to National School, 15 gs. to Lancasterian School.

[Anti-Slavery Petition.]

11th May, 1821. Resolved that the sum of 5 gs. be subscribed towards the expense of preparing petitions to Parliament for the abolition of the slave trade in the year 1815.[1]

[York Street and Queen Street Improvement.]

Resolved that this Trust will subscribe the sum of 150 li. towards the proposed alteration through York Street to Queen Street, provided the other parties interested will contribute to carry the same into effect.

[Lamp Pillars.]

Resolved to subscribe 10 gs. towards cost of gas lamp pillars beyond the limits of the police act, at Highfields, also 2 li. 12s. 6d. per annum towards lighting the said lamps.

[Fargate Improvement.]

Resolved that our clerk be requested to inform the Duke's agent, Mr. Ellison, that the Trustees are prepared to make their proposed improvements at the top of Fargate, provided the Duke is prepared to carry into effect his part of that Improvement, which the Trustees are desirous should be effected as soon as convenient.

[The Great Guns.]

Resolved that this Trust do agree to accept from Colonel Fenton and the late corps of Sheffield Volunteers the great guns lately belonging to that regiment, in consideration whereof this Trust agrees to give them the sum of 20 gs. to be spent in firing the said guns, &c., on the approaching coronation.[2]

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[1] The petitions were prepared in 1815, but the cost was not paid till 1821; rather long credit.

[2] The two brass guns here referred to were afterwards placed in the care of the Sheffield Artillery Volunteers. In 1894, Colonel Creswick, on behalf of the Artillery Volunteers, intimated that the guns were no longer of use to them for purposes of practice and drill, and the question of their future disposal was referred to the Parks Committee of the Corporation. That question has not yet [June, 1897] been settled.

[Sheaf Bridge.]

26th May, 1821. Agreed to subscribe 200 li. towards the rebuilding of the Sheaf bridge and improving the avenues thereto, the money to be paid into the hands of Hugh Parker.

[George IV.'s Coronation.]

2nd July, 1821. Resolved to contribute 6 li. 5s. on the occasion of the King's Coronation, making, with 46 li. 3s. already subscribed for specific purposes, 52 li. 10s., being the same sum as the other public bodies have agreed to contribute. Committee consisting of Brownell, Turner, Mitchell, Withers, and Ward to have the disposal of the money.

25th July, 1821. Resolved to present an address to the King on his coronation, and thanking him for sending two coronation medals to be placed in the foundation stone of the Free Church of St. George. The Town Collector, Mr. Withers, and Mr. Brownell, conjointly with the Master Cutler and Capital Church Burgess, to prepare the address. The address to lie for signatures at the Cutlers' hall until Wednesday, 1st August, to be then transmitted by the Master Cutler, Town's Regent, and Capital Church Burgess to the Secretary of State for presentation. That the proposed address be submitted to this Trust for their approbation before being adopted.

[Inscription on the Great Guns.]

12th Nov., 1821. Ordered that Samuel Tompkin's Bill for engraving the Inscriptions on the two brass pieces of ordnance (7 li. os. 6d.) be paid.[1]

[Extension of Queen Street.]

Ordered that the Trustees, with Mr. Fairbank, ascertain the probable expense of opening a communication between

[1] The following is the inscription on the guns:—"This piece of Artillery, with another of equal calibre, was purchased in 1795 for the use of the Regt. of Sheffield Loyal Independent Volunteers, in defence of their country, then disturbed by internal commotions, and threatened with foreign invasion, and through a long and perilous period passed under the successive Command of Lt.-Col. R. A. Athorpe; Col. Richard, Earl of Effingham; and Lt.-Col. Frans. Fenton, by the latter of whom, and the surviving Officers and Privates, in a time of profound peace, after firing a Royal Salute in honour of the coronation of King George the Fourth, on the 19th day of July, 1821, they were transferred to the Trustees of the Estates of the Town of Sheffield and to their successors for ever. God save the King. Trustees of the Town for the time being:—Robt. Turner, Collector; John Shore, John Greaves, Fran. Fenton, Saml. Staniforth, Vinct. Heny. Eyre, Petr. Brownell, Rowd. Hodgson, Benjn. Withers, Junr., Thos. Asline Ward, Saml. Mitchell.

Queen Street and Tenter Street, and how far other owners of property on the line of communication are disposed to support the plan.

[Brownell Collector for Two Years.]

1st April, 1822. Peter Brownell requested to accept office of collector in the place of Mr. Robert Turner, deceased, for the term of two years. Mr. Brownell agreed to accept it accordingly.

Memorandum that Mr. T. A. Ward, after stating that he would willingly accede to the appointment by the Freeholders, moved the following resolutions, which were not seconded. "That according to custom within the Town of Sheffield whereof the memory of man is not to the contrary, the Town collectors have been invariably elected at public meetings of freeholders, except on the 26th April, 1804, and the 18th Nov., 1807, when they were elected at private meetings of the Trustees." "That in order to revert to the old constitutional and loyal mode of election and to abandon the modern innovation, a meeting of freeholders be called for the purpose of supplying the vacancy caused by the death of the late Town Collector."

[Haymarket Widening.]

Sheffield, 30th April, 1822. Resolved that our clerk be authorised to offer not exceeding 50 li. to Mr. Nicholson in consideration of his giving up to the street so much of his frontage to the Haymarket as will form a straight line from the upper corner of Mr. Roebuck's house to the King's Street corner of Mr. Newton's premises, as the same are proposed to be thrown back so as to widen the above street at that point about three feet.

[St. Philip's Church.]

Tontine Inn, 18th Sept., 1822. Trustees agree to join the procession on the occasion of laying the foundation stone of the church to be built near the Infirmary, and that the names of the Trustees be written on vellum and deposited in a glass bottle sealed with the seal of this Trust, under the foundation stone.

[Attercliffe Chapel.]

24th Oct., 1822. Similar order on the occasion of laying the foundation stone of Attercliffe Chapel.

[Lighting of the Town.]

Tontine Inn, 11th Nov., 1822. Trustees resolve "on account of the state of their funds" not to contribute anything towards the additional lighting of the Town.

[Queen Street Extension.]

Resolved that the Collector, Mr. Withers, and Mr. Battie form a committee for ascertaining from the different owners of property on the proposed line the expense of opening a communication between Queen Street and Tenter Street, and for contracting with such owners or any of them for the purchase of their respective interests in that property.

[Pinson Street Improvement.]

Resolution of 11th Nov., 1820, for purchasing Mr. Wakefield and others premises on the west side of Pinson Street confirmed, and the above committee instructed to lay out the widening at the north end of that street.

[Top of Sheffield Moor.]

Resolved that this Trust contribute one-third of the sum of 100 li. towards the purchase of 200 square yards of ground at the top of Sheffield Moor now forming part of the turnpike road there, provided the Trustees of the said road and the Township of Ecclesall pay the other two-thirds, and our Law clerk be satisfied that the persons claiming title to the said piece of ground have a legal right thereto.

Law bill to be paid, 73 li. 18s. 2d., relating to late election of new Trustees.

[Price of Land at Barker Pool.]

Tontine Inn, 14th May, 1823. Land top of Barker Pool leased at 3d. per yard and 6d.

[Attercliffe Chapel.]

Rev. J. Blackburn's application for a contribution towards Attercliffe Chapel declined "as not being within the limits of their trust."

[The Great Guns.]

Ordered that next year the great guns, now the property of the Town, be fired by way of royal salute on the occasion of the King's birthday at the expense of this Trust, viz., 6 li., according to the proposition now produced.

[St. George's Church Bells.]

Resolved that in the event of a subscription being set on foot to procure a ring of bells for St. George's Church this Trust pledges itself to support the subscription by a contribution of 50 li. Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Withers desired to enter their protest against the above resolution. Signed by Brownell, Ward, Greaves, Withers, Fisher, Mitchell, Battie, Fenton.

[New Grammar School.]

Sheffield, 9th June, 1823. Resolved that the sum of fifty guineas be subscribed by this Trust towards the proposed new Grammar School in Charlotte Street according to the Plan and elevation now submitted to us.

[Baker's Hill Improvement.]

Town hall, 21st June, 1823. Resolved that this Trust do purchase from Mr. Lambert 70 square yards of ground at the top of Baker's hill to widen the street there, at the price of 10s. 6d. per square yard, and that this Trust do be at the expense of removing the fence wall.

[Additional Lamps.]

Sheffield, 20th Sept., 1823. A letter from Hugh Parker, Esq., recommending this Trust (with the other public bodies) to undertake the lighting of several additional lamps having been read, resolved that this Trust do at present decline lighting any additional lamps, there appearing by the accounts of the Commissioners of Police to be a considerable surplus applicable to the general purposes of the act.

[Barker Pool Improvement.]

Tontine Inn, 11th Nov., 1823. 15 li. 15s. to be paid Mr. Millington for the removal of his bricks from Balm green to Bow Street, and in full of his claims on giving up the lot of ground which he had agreed to take of the Trust at the top of Barker pool.

Ordered that the Committee originally appointed to make the Improvement at the top of Barker pool be requested to come to an agreement with John Goodwin for giving up a bit of his wood yard fronting to Balm green, so as to draw a straight line from the upper corner of Allison's house to the north-east corner of Hollin Street. The Collector, Fisher, Battie, and Withers appointed a committee to view the lots of ground in Tenter Street out of lease, and report as to best way of improving the same by building leases or otherwise.

[Common Sewer, Shales Moor.]

Tontine Inn, 20th May, 1824. Resolved that this Trust decline contributing to the proposed common sewer from Shales moor to the Isle, the scheme not appearing to them to be of public utility.

[Allen Street and Hoyle Street Improvement.]

Ordered that the sum of 10 li. 10s. be contributed by this Trust towards the Improvement lately made by the overseers of Highways between Allen Street and Hoyle Street according to the plan now produced by Mr. Marriott.

[Pinson Street.]

Agreed to purchase Wakefield's property in Pinson Street for 400 li. to widen the north end of that street according to the plan now produced by Mr. Mitchell. Same committee empowered to treat with Messrs. Younge for part of their ground at the south end of Pinson Street to widen that part of said street.

[Smelter, Bellman.]

James Smelter approved as Bellman, and elected accordingly.

[Allen Street.]

Battie and Mitchell authorised to agree with George Cartwright for as much as his garden near Allen Street as may be wanted for widening that street.

[Mechanics' Library.]

Ordered that the sum of 10 li. 10s. (be given by way of donation) by this Trust towards the Mechanics' Library now being established in this town.

[Glossop Turnpike Road.]

Sheffield, 16th August, 1824. Resolved that our Collector be authorised to execute the deeds agreeing to postpone the receipt of interest on the £200 lent by this Trust to the Glossop Turnpike Road, until the Dukes of Norfolk and Devonshire shall have been paid their interest on the £34,000 advanced by them.

[Queen Street Extension.]

Ordered that if the persons who advocate the proposed continuation of Queen street into Westbar Green will raise the sum (beyond £350) sufficient to purchase the premises in School street lately bought by Mr. Hazlehurst, this Trust is ready to complete such purchase and to proceed with the plan of opening the above new street as soon as arrangements

can be made with the other parties owning property on the line thereof. Ordered that the purchase agreed to be made by this Trust from Mr. Wakefield be forthwith completed. Ordered that the adjoining ground belonging to Mr. Withers be likewise purchased by this Trust at Mr. Fairbank's valuation.

[South Street to Pinstone Lane.]

Ordered that Mr. Fairbank be directed to make a plan and estimate of the proposed continuation of South street into Pinstone lane.

[Canal, Peak Forest.]

Ordered that our Collector be requested to attend the public meeting on the 19th inst., on the subject of the proposed canal to unite the Peak Forest, Sheffield, Chesterfield and Cromford Canals, and that he be authorized to subscribe for two shares in that undertaking, subject to the resolutions of the public meeting on the 15th July last. [A pencil note says "held at Buxton."]

[Mad Dogs.]

Ordered that our Collector be authorized to pay not exceeding £5. 5s. 0d. towards the expences incurred concerning mad dogs. Signed by Brownell, Fenton, Fisher, Greaves, Ward and Battie.

[Land at Fullwood.]

24th Sept., 1824. Mr. Battie authorized to buy for the Trust a close of land at Fullwood, late Thomas Dale's, containing 1a. 2r. 31p., and called "The Flowery Field," for a sum not exceeding £200.

[Bower Spring.]

Sheffield, 6th Oct., 1824. Ordered that our Clerk be directed to enquire into the title of the Town Trustees to Bower Spring and the ground immediately around it; and to ascertain by what authority the same has been lately obstructed and encroached upon; and to take such measures for the removal of the present obstructions and encroachments, and for returning the premises to their former state, as may be found advisable.

[Water Communication.]

Ordered that this Trust do subscribe not exceeding 20 guineas, to be regulated to the sums that may be subscribed by the other public bodies, towards the expence of employing

Mr. Gilford to report on the best line of water communication between the towns of Sheffield and Manchester, without reference to the estates of any particular individuals.

[National School.]

Tontine Inn, June 11th, 1824. £31. 10s. 0d. subscribed towards the expense of fencing the front of the National School by an ashlar wall and iron railing.

[Nether Chapel.]

Declined Rev. Thos. Smith's request for a contribution towards Nether Chapel, such "not being within the limits of their Trust."

[South Street and Pinstone Lane.]

Resolved that the schemes of continuing South street into Pinstone lane and widening that street to its junction with Fargate, and of continuing Queen street into Westbar Green and from thence into Scotland street, are desirable public objects; but as it appears that the same cannot be carried into effect without the aid of Parliament, Resolved that steps be taken towards making the above improvements, and such others as may be thought advisable, and for obtaining the necessary powers for that purpose as soon as conveniently may be. Signed by Brownell, Fenton, Ward, Battie, Pearson, Greaves, and Staniforth.

[Sheffield and Glossop Road Bill.]

11th April, 1825. Trust resolved to petition against the Sheffield and Glossop Road Bill now pending in Parliament.

[Sparrow Pit Gate and Totley Turnpike Roads.]

18th April, 1825. Trust approved the scheme for uniting the Sparrow Pit Gate and Totley Turnpike Roads into one Trust.

[Barker Pool and Balm Green.]

Tontine Inn, 20th May, 1825. Ordered that the sum of £150 be contributed by this Trust towards lowering Balme Green or Barker Pool Division street and Coal Pit lane, and raising South street; such improvements being completed by the Overseers of Sheffield and Ecclesall according to the plans now produced by Mr. Fairbank, the above sum to be apportioned between the two townships and the money expended under the direction of Mr. Brownell, Mr. Battie and Mr. Fenton.

[Rent Half-Yearly.]

Ordered that in future the rents of this Trust be received half-yearly and that the tenants have notice accordingly. 30 guineas donation to Lancasterian School.

[South Street to Pinstone Lane.]

Fairbank to ascertain price of the properties on the line of the proposed street from South street to Pinstone lane. Mr. Lambert to be paid £70 for 70 yards of land agreed to be thrown out at the top of Baker's hill, to widen the street there.

[Common Sewer.]

Sheffield, 17th Oct., 1825. £50 to be subscribed towards the expense of making a common sewer from Green lane to Lady's Bridge. Pump to be fixed at the well at the bottom of New street; also well and pump on John Woodhouse's farm at Fullwood.

[Bill to Incorporate the Trust.]

Ordered that our Clerk give the necessary notices of an application to Parliament the next session for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate this Trust into one body Corporate with power to act by a Common Seal. Signed by Brownell, Fenton, Greaves, Battie, Fisher and Ward. 16th Dec., 1825. The opinion of Mr. Knight on the subject of Incorporating the Trust having been read, Ordered that a Petition to the Crown for a Charter for the above purpose be prepared forthwith, and the proposed application to Parliament be deferred until the result of the above petition be known. Signed by Fenton, Battie, Brownell, Ward and Greaves.[1]

[Petition against Slavery.]

Sheffield, 9th Feb., 1826. Ordered that this Trust sign the Petition to Parliament now produced for the mitigated and gradual abolition of Colonial Slavery. Ordered that previous to taking any further steps towards obtaining a Charter for the Incorporation of this Trust, our Clerk ascertain what will be the probable fees at each of the offices through which it will have to pass, in order that an estimate may be formed of the total expense attending such Charter.

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[1] This Bill, with the omission of the clause Incorporating the Trust, and with the addition of a clause requiring the publication of accounts, was passed as 7 and 8 George IV., c. 33.

[Standard Weights]

Ordered that our Clerk prepare a Petition from this Trust to the General Quarter Sessions at Pontefract for making Sheffield the depôt of the Imperial Standard Weights and Measures, under the late Act of Parliament.

[Town Wells.]

Ordered that Mr. Fenton and Mr. Battie be deputed to view the town wells in Scotland street and the Ponds, and to put down pumps there for the use of the public, if they should find it desirable.

[Lambert Street Improvement.]

Tontine Inn, 11th May, 1826. Line of proposed improvement at the bottom of Lambert street to be left to arrangement between the overseers of the Highways and Thomas Shirley, tenant, without the interference or compromising the rights of this trust.

[Lighting.]

Contribution of £2. 12s. 6d. towards lighting the lamps on Sheffield moor to be doubled.

[Town Hall Improvement.]

Mr. Hirst's plan for improving the present Town hall produced and returned to him for revision, and to suggest any further improvements and furnish estimate. Thanks to Mr. Brownell, Town Collector of two years, and asked to continue for next two years.

[Distressed Manufacturers.]

27th July, 1826. Resolved that 50 guineas be given in aid of the fund for relieving distressed manufacturers.

[Incorporation.]

Ordered that our Clerk take the necessary steps for renewing the application to Parliament for the incorporation of this Trust.

[Arundel Street Improvement.]

Sheffield, 30th Aug., 1826. The overseers of the Highways having recommended the purchase from Henry Tudor's executors of 88 square yards of land to widen Arundel street according to a plan now produced by them, and to be at half the expense of such purchase, resolved that this Trust pay the other half of the purchase money towards the above improvement provided the price do not exceed 15s. per square yard.

[Church Street.]

Resolved that this Trust be at half the expense of purchasing the frontage of Mr. Aldam's premises in Church street to widen the same, the Treaty for such purchase being left with the overseers of the Highways.

[Pump, Barker Pool.]

Resolved that this Trust contribute 30 guineas towards the expense of sinking the well and erecting the pump for the use of the public at the top of Barker pool.

[Norfolk Street and Pinstone Lane.]

Sheffield, 11th Nov., 1826. Ordered that a sum not exceeding 50 gs. be given by this Trust for 32 square yards of ground or thereabouts at the end of Norfolk street and Pinstone lane according to the plan now produced, Messrs. Younge agreeing to take down and rebuild the Fence wall.

[Water Communication.]

Town meeting, 6th Feb., 1827. Resolved that this Trust subscribe 20 gs. towards the expense of employing an engineer to report on the best line of water communication between Sheffield and the Peak forest canals pursuant to the resolution of the public meeting on the 17th January last.

[Bill in Parliament.]

Resolved that the proposed bill for Incorporating the Trust be published for the information of the inhabitants.

[Blonk Bridge.]

Town Meeting, 19th Feb., 1827. Resolved that this Trust contribute £250 towards the proposed new bridge across the River Dun near Blonk street, to communicate with the intended new markets there, provided the same be made a public bridge, and that a copy of the above resolution be handed to Mr. Ellison, the Duke of Norfolk's Agent, in answer to his letter of the 14th inst.

[Charity Enquiry.]

2nd April, 1827. The Trustees having had notice to attend the Commissioners for enquiring into Charity Grants, on Thursday, the 5th inst., with their books and papers. Ordered that our Clerk, accompanied by the Collector, attend accordingly, with the necessary documents, and give such information as may be required.[1]

[1] The enquiry here referred to resulted in the important report issued in 1828.

[Bill in Parliament.]

16th April, 1827. Resolved to alter the Bill now before Parliament, to meet the objections of the Lord Chancellor. That £200 be paid to the Clerk on account of expences incurred. That Lord Wharncliffe be waited upon by the Collector, Mr. Fenton and Mr. Ward, to thank him for his services in respect of the above Bill and solicit his support in the future stages thereof. 2nd May, 1827. Resolved that in the proposed Bill for the regulation of this Trust there be inserted a clause obliging the Trustees to exhibit their accounts at the Town Hall for the inspection of the Freeholders, on the 11th May every year, from 11 to 4 o'clock, of which 3 weeks previous notice be given in the Sheffield papers; and that before the election of any new Trustee a like notice be given of a public meeting of the Freeholders for that purpose, instead of the usual week's notice by the bellman. Signed, Brownell, Fenton, Ward, Fisher, Pearson. 11th May, 1827. Resolved that the Bill for the regulation of this Trust, as altered to meet the views of the late Lord Chancellor and the Freeholders of the Town, is approved of by the Trustees present, except Mr. B. Withers; and that when it shall have received the sanction of the present Lord Chancellor, the same be carried through both Houses of Parliament the present session. Resolved that a copy of the above Bill when printed be inserted in the "Independent" newspaper, for the information of the public. The Trustees wishing to give the most liberal construction to the word "inhabitant" under the Decree; Resolved that our Clerk be directed to take the opinion of Counsel as to whether the word "inhabitant" is confined to residents only, or whether Freeholders having property in the town, being occupiers thereof, though residing out of it, have a right to vote in the election of Trustees. Resolved that Mr. Fenton, the surveyor of the Police Commissioners, be authorized to make use of the Clerk's room in the Town Hall on such days in the week as the Magistrates do not attend.

[Market Toll.]

Resolved that Mr. Wheat be directed to have a clause inserted in the proposed new Market Act exempting the Freeholders of the town from payment of toll to the Lord of the Manor, as is the case in the last Market Act, and from which they are exempted by Lord Furnival's grant. Signed by Brownell, Fenton, Ward, Battie, Fisher, Pearson.

[Church Street.]

Town meeting, 25th June, 1827. Ordered that this Trust be at half the expense (not exceeding £40 in the whole) of purchasing the frontage of the late Mr. William Stacey's premises now enclosed by palisades in Church street, in order to widen the same, the surveyors of the Highways agreeing to pay the other half; and that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr. Weldon in answer to his communication on the subject.

[Townhead Street.]

Ordered that Whittington Sowter be required to remove the projection of his house into Townhead street pursuant to the condition to that effect on the granting of his lease of those premises.

[The Pinfold.]

Ordered that our Clerk wait upon Mr. Ellison respecting the Pinfold, which is included in one of the Duke of Norfolk's estate acts, and point out to him the proofs that the premises belong to this Trust and not to his Grace. [1]

[Costs of Bill in Parliament.]

The Collector to pay the Clerk £199. 7s. 6d., parliamentary agent's bill, and £398. 12s. 6d., his own bill, for passing the act; total, £598. 0s. 6d., deducting the £200 already paid.

[Thanks to Lord Wharncliffe.]

Resolved that the thanks of this meeting be given to Lord Wharncliffe for the prompt assistance which he afforded during the progress of the above bill through Parliament, and that our Clerk convey to his Lordship the high sense which the Trustees entertain of his attention to their wishes by promoting so essentially their views for the benefit of the Trust.

[Free Writing School.]

Town meeting, 11th July, 1827. Resolved that the plan of the proposed new Free Writing School and master's house in School croft, prepared by Mr. Worth, the architect, and now produced, is approved by the Trustees present; also resolved that this Trust confirm their former Resolution of subscribing £200 towards the erection of the above school.

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[1] See payments about the Pinfold on page 39.

[INFIRMARY.]

12th Nov., 1827. Agreed to subscribe £10. 10s. per annum to the General Infirmary.

[ST. PAUL'S.]

Agreed to contribute £5. 5s. towards some ornamental iron work to receive a gas lamp to be put up above the new gate into the churchyard opposite Howard street.

[NORFOLK STREET.]

Agreed to contribute half the expense (not exceeding £20) of lowering the summit of Norfolk street as proposed by the surveyors of Highways.

[TITHE.]

Resolved to take counsel's opinion as to their liability to pay 30 years arrear of Tithe rent claimed by Mr. Gell.

[ST. GEORGE'S CHURCHYARD.]

Resolved that if the fencing of St. George's churchyard be done by voluntary subscription and not by a rate this Trust is willing to contribute 100 guineas towards it.

[EXCHANGE WITH THE CHURCH BURGESSES.]

Lease of land in Tenter street at 4d. per yard. Mr. Fairbank to submit to this Trust and to the Church Burgesses a prospectus of Exchange of property in the Town respectively belonging to them for the mutual advantage of each Trust.

[TOWN COLLECTOR.]

Town meeting, 12th March, 1828. Resolved that in future the Collector be elected annually. At this meeting Mr. Thomas Asline Ward was chosen Collector for the present year.[1]

[BLONK BRIDGE.]

Town meeting, 17th March, 1828. £100 to be paid to Mr. Ellison towards the erection of the Bridge across the Dun at the end of Blonk street, and that the remaining £150 be paid as the work proceeds towards its completion.

[FIRE ENGINES.]

The fire Engines having been given up by the Birmingham Fire Office, resolved that they be offered to the Sheffield Fire Office on condition of their undertaking to keep them in repair and in readiness for use when required.

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[1] Mr. Ward was re-elected year after year Town Collector, until 1847, when he declined to stand again.

[Election of Trustees.]

Resolved that the election of 3 new Trustees (in the place of Mr Samuel Staniforth, Mr. S. Mitchell, and Mr. Peter Brownell,[1] deceased), take place on the 5th May next, after three weeks' notice in all the Sheffield papers.

[Fire Engines.]

11th April, 1828. Resolved if the Birmingham Fire Office will undertake to put and keep the Town engines in complete repair, and continue them upon the same establishment as heretofore the Trust will contribute 20 gs. a year towards the expense.

[Boys' Charity School.]

Town meeting, 16th May, 1828. 5 guineas subscribed to Charity School for Poor Boys.

[Resignation of Trustees.]

Ordered that the opinion of Mr. Knight be taken on the case now read pursuant to the resolution at the public meeting, and also as to the power of Trustees removing to a distance to resign their office.

[Execution of Deed.]

Ordered that if Mr. Withers do not within a week execute George Andrew's and Thomas Marshall's Leases and the deeds of exchange between this Trust and the Church Burgesses new deeds be prepared, to be executed by a majority of the Trustees under the provisions of the late Act, at the expense of the Trust.

[Bell and Clock for St. George's Church.]

Ordered that the sum of 20 guineas be given by this Trust to the churchwardens of St. George's Church towards a bell and clock for the said church.

[Tithe.]

Ordered that the 18 years' arrears of tithe rent claimed by Mr. Gell, in respect of lands in Hallam belonging to this Trust, be paid, and that the said Rent be purchased on the terms mentioned in Mr. Cruso's letter now produced. Signed by Ward, Fenton, Battie, Fisher, Pearson, Samuel Bailey, and Samuel Hadfield. [The latter two sign for the first time.]

Mr. Brownell last signed the minutes on 4th October, 1827; S. Mitchell, 11th November, 1825; S. Staniforth, 11th November, 1824.

[PHILOSOPHICAL HALL.]

Town meeting, 5th June, 1828. Resolved that this Trust subscribe 50 gs. towards the erection of a Philosophical hall in Sheffield on the conditions mentioned in Mr. Piper's letter now read. Donation £5. 5s. to Girls' Charity School. Land of Mr. Needham in Campo lane purchased for £240. Negotiation authorised to buy Mr. Bright's premises adjoining Mr. Needham's. Ordered that the Collector, Mr. Battie, and Mr. Hadfield be a committee from this Trust to confer with the Church Burgesses on the subject of the purchase of the 3r. 25p. of land belonging to the Infirmary adjoining St. Philip's churchyard, and proposed to be added thereto for the interment of paupers.

[MEDICAL SCHOOL.]

Ordered that the sum of £50 be given by this Trust towards the erection of the proposed Medical Institution in Sheffield.

[COUNSEL'S OPINION.]

Ordered that the case laid before counsel at the request of the late public meeting, with Mr. Knight's opinion thereon, be published in the Sheffield papers for the information of the inhabitants. Signed by Ward, Battie, Fenton, Fisher, Pearson, John Rodgers, Hadfield, and Bailey. [First signature of John Rodgers.]

[ST. GEORGE'S CHURCHYARD.]

Town meeting, 16th June, 1828. Mr. Battie authorised to obtain an estimate of the expense of enclosing St. George's churchyard.

[PETITION AGAINST SLAVERY.]

The seal of the Trust to be affixed to the Petition to the House of Commons for the abolition of negro slavery. Ordered that no sum exceeding £20 be voted at any future meeting without 3 days' notice to each Trustee.

[CAMPO LANE.]

Mr. Battie to procure valuation of the late Mr. Sowter's property in Campo lane with a view to treating for purchase thereof.

[PHILOSOPHICAL HALL.]

Mr. Fisher gave notice to move the increase of the grant for the Philosophical Hall from £50 to £100. Signed by Ward, Fenton, Michael Ellison, Hadfield, Battie, Fisher, Bailey. [First time Michael Ellison signs.]

[St. Philip's Church.]

30th June, 1828. Resolved that this Trust attend the consecration of St. Philip's Church.

[Blind Lane.]

Mr. Battie authorised to give not exceeding 5 gs. towards removing the projecton in Blind lane.

[St. Philip's Churchyard Wall.]

6th Feb., 1829. Mr. Fisher gave notice that he intended to move at the next meeting a contribution not exceeding 60 guineas towards the expense of walling and fencing St. Philip's churchyard.

[Water Works.]

Mr. Fenton gave notice that he should at the next meeting propose that this Trust subscribe to the amount of £1000 towards the extension of the present waterworks.

[Arundel Street.]

Committee appointed to purchase land to widen Arundel street.

[Fire Engines.]

Town fire engines to be offered to Sheffield Fire Office on same terms as they were offered to the Birmingham Fire Office.

[Blonk Bridge.]

£150, remainder of contribution towards Blonk Bridge, be paid to Mr. Ellison.

[Water Works.]

Town's Meeting, 27th March, 1829. Resolved that this Trust subscribe for 10 shares of £100 each towards the extension of the present waterworks.

[Fire Engines.]

Ordered that the town fire engines, with their appendages, be sold by auction by Mr. Saunders, after advertisement in the Doncaster, Chesterfield, and Sheffield newspapers.

[Eyre Street.]

Resolved that this Trust contribute not exceeding £20 towards the lowering of the top of Eyre street, and levelling the line of that street. Messrs. Hadfield and Bailey to examine the accounts.

[Old Workhouse Site.]

11th May, 1829. Mr. Ellison gave notice that he should at the next meeting move that this Trust contribute not exceeding £100 towards the proposed improvement by the Overseers of the Poor, in throwing out for the use of the public 328 square yards of ground, part of the site of the present workhouse.

[Fire Engines.]

Mr. Saunders' offer of £30 for the town fire engines accepted.

[Standard Measures.]

Ordered that Mr. Battie be authorized to sell the standard measures belonging to this Trust in such way as he may think best. Pinfold to be repaired. T. A. Ward re-elected Town Collector.

[Parish Churchyard.]

19th Oct., 1829. Application from Churchwardens for a contribution towards the expense of repairing the fences of the Parish Churchyard declined.

[Grants of Money.]

£50 further voted towards the Philosophical Hall. £50 further voted towards the Medical Hall. £10. 10s. to Girls' Charity School.

[Ringers.]

That the payments to the ringers on the 5th Nov., 29th May, and 30th Jan. be discontinued.

[New Cutlers' Hall.]

Mr. Fisher gave notice of a motion at the next meeting to subscribe not exceeding £500 towards a new hall for the Cutlers' Company, on condition of their being as liberal as heretofore in allowing the use thereof for public purposes.

Town meeting, 11th Nov., 1829. Resolved that this Trust do contribute the sum of £500 towards the erection of a new Cutlers' hall on condition that the Cutlers' Company shall give up to the Town Trustees all claim which they may have in the present Town hall, that the plan of the new Cutlers' hall be approved by the Town Trustees, and that the Town Collector for the time being shall have a right to grant the use of the Hall for public purposes.

[Price of Land.]

4d. per yard for 99 years' lease of land in Campo lane to the Girls' Charity School Trustees.

[Bower Spring.]

Mr. Ellison undertook that the Premises at Bower Spring, held of the Duke of Norfolk by one Beet, a publican, shall be restored to their former state, and be thrown open to the public as heretofore.

Mr. Ellison's motion to grant £100 to improve the workhouse site withdrawn.

[New Cutlers' Hall.]

Meeting, 7th Dec., 1829. A resolution of the Cutlers' Company on the 27th ult. having been read, resolved that the terms of that Resolution be accepted, with the addition that the plan of the new Cutlers' hall be submitted to and approved by this Trust, and that the Cutlers' Company enter into a deed of covenant to abide by the terms proposed.

[Parliamentary Reform.]

Meeting, 18th Feb., 1830. Ordered that Mr. T. A. Ward be authorised to affix his signature as Collector and the Town seal to the proposed petition to the House of Commons for the extension of the elective franchise to Sheffield.

Also to the proposed petition to Parliament to discontinue the use of climbing boys.

[Workhouse Site.]

Town meeting, 10th March, 1830. A letter from Hugh Parker read, asking for a subscription towards purchasing the entire site of the old workhouse, to be appropriated as an open space, was read. Resolved that this Trust contribute the sum of £200 towards the above object.

The votes of the Trust at the approaching election of surgeon to the Sheffield General Infirmary to be given to Mr. Ray.

[Rail Road.]

Town Trustees meeting, 13th March, 1830. Resolved that the seal of this Trust be affixed to the petition in favour of a Bill pending in Parliament for making a rail road from Manchester to Whaley Bridge, as being likely at some future period to be of importance to the Town of Sheffield by opening a communication with the mineral district of Derbyshire and the port of Liverpool by means of a railway. Signed by Ward, Fenton, Battie, Fisher, Rodgers, Hadfield, and Bailey.[1]

[1] This is the earliest mention of a railway.

[Parish Registers.]

Town meeting, 11th May, 1830. Mr. Fisher gave notice of a motion at the next meeting that the expense of the Parish Church registers for the next year be defrayed out of the funds of this Trust.

[Ringers.]

Ordered that the discontinuance of the annual payment by this Trust to the Ringers of the Parish Church for ringing on Sundays be taken into consideration at the next meeting.[1] T. A. Ward thanked for his services as Collector, and asked to continue another year.

[Proclamation of William IV.]

Town Trustees meeting, 3rd July, 1830. Resolved that the order of procession on the occasion of the proclamation of King William IV. now read be approved. Resolved that the Town Collector, Mr. Fenton, and Mr. Ellison be deputed to arrange the details of the ceremony, and that they be authorised to expend on the occasion any sum which may be requisite, not exceeding £50.

[Blind Lane.]

Resolved that the purchase lately made by Mr. Battie from Mr. C. F. Younge of 35 square yards of ground in Blind lane for £17. 10s. to widen the street there be confirmed.

[Town Beadle.]

Town Trustees meeting, 14th July, 1830. William Bland appointed Town beadle in place of Jeremiah Saynor, deceased.

[St. Paul's Clock, &c.]

That one half of the expense of repairing the dial of St. Paul's Church be contributed by this Trust, on condition that the Church Burgesses contribute the other half. That this Trust attend the consecration of St. Mary's Church on Wednesday next, the 21st inst. That the sum of £10. 10s. be contributed by this Trust towards a clock at St. George's Church. That the arrangement entered into by Mr. Battie with Mr. T. Wright for throwing back the front of his build-

[1] The ringers are still paid by the Town Trustees for ringing on Sundays. In Nov., 1893, their salary was raised from 30 guineas to £50. The following lines by the late Bernard John Wake were quoted on that occasion :—

"Ye rascals of ringers; ye terrible foes:
Ye disturbers of all who delight in repose;
How I wish from my heart, for the good of the land,
That you had round your necks what you pull with your hand."

ings in Townhead street, provided the expense do not exceed £20, be confirmed by this Trust. Land in Barker pool leased at 4d. per yard.

[Queen Street Extension.]

Town Trustees meeting, 26th July, 1830. That notices be given to the tenants in Silver street on the line of the proposed continuation of Queen street, so that this Trust may be in possession of the premises by the 25th March. The Collector, Battie, and Pearson to treat with the Queen's Foundry Company for the purchase of their interest in the premises held by them of this Trust in Workhouse croft.

[Schools.]

That £50 be contributed towards the erection of an infant school connected with the Lancasterian Schools. A like sum to the Infant Schools Society in connection with the church.

[King William IV.]

That this Trust concur with the Cutlers' Company in the proposed address of congratulation to his Majesty King William IV. on his accession to the throne. The Collector and Mr. Rodgers to confer with the Cutlers' Company on the subject of the above address.

[Clock, St. Mary's.]

Town meeting, 30th Sept., 1830. Mr. Hodgson gave notice of a motion at the next meeting for subscribing a sum not exceeding £50 towards repairing Brammall lane and providing a Clock and Bell for St. Mary's Church.

[Snig Hill.]

Town meeting, 5th Nov., 1830. Mr. Fisher having produced a plan of Miss Frith's premises in Snig hill showing an intended improvement by throwing out about 44 square yards of her ground, proposed to be purchased by this Trust to widen the street there, and offering to leave the price of the ground to be fixed by valuers to be named by each party, resolved that the above proposal be accepted, and that Mr. T. N. Bardwell be appointed valuer on the part of this Trust, and that the parties enter into a written contract to abide the result of the valuers' determination who shall appoint an umpire previous to their entering upon the reference.

[Anti-Slavery.]

Resolved that the seal of this Trust be affixed to the petitions to Parliament for the abolition of negro slavery.

[Purchase of Consols.]

Town meeting, 13th Dec., 1830. £4000 Consols purchased out of the funds now in hand.

[Parliamentary Reform.]

Seal to be affixed to petitions in favour of Parliamentary reform. Negotiation for purchase to widen Arundel street.

[Goole Railway.]

Town meeting, 20th Dec., 1830. Resolved that the Collector be requested to attend the proposed meeting of the River Dun Company on the 29th inst., on the subject of the Goole railway, but that he remain neuter and do not vote on the occasion. Further reference to widening of Arundel street.

[Queen Street Extension.]

Town meeting, 9th Feb., 1831. Resolved that the proposed extension of Queen street be carried into effect so as to communicate with West Barr green opposite Scotland street in preference to any other line.

£1 per yard to be given to Mr. Palfreyman for 33 square yards of land in Queen street to be thrown into that street.

[Grammar School.]

£20 to be contributed towards fencing with a stone wall and palisades the vacant ground in front of the Grammar School in Charlotte street, and the consequent improvement of that street.

[Parliamentary Reform.]

Town meeting, 9th March, 1831. Resolved that the declaration from the inhabitants of Sheffield to his Majesty and the House of Commons expressive of their approbation of the measure of Reform lately introduced by his Majesty's Ministers into Parliament is approved by this meeting, and that the seal of this Trust be affixed thereto accordingly. Signed by Ward, Battie, Fisher, Hadfield, Bailey, Ellison, Rodgers.

[Railway, Sheffield to Manchester.]

Town meeting, 14th March, 1831. Resolved that the petition now read in favour of the Bill pending in Parliament for making a railway from Sheffield to Manchester be signed by the Collector on behalf of the Trustees, and the seal of the Trust be affixed thereto.

[Campo Lane.]

Town meeting, 20th April, 1831. Resolved that the Collector, Mr. Battie, and Mr. Pearson be deputed to arrange with Mr. Burbeary for the purchase of 83 square yards of ground in Campo lane, at a price not exceeding £210, for the purpose of carrying into effect the proposed Improvement between that street and North street.

[Illuminating Parish Church Clock.]

That this Trust contribute 5 gs. towards illuminating the Parish Church clock, and if the Burgesses will increase their subscriptions to 10 gs. in order that the clock may be lighted on both sides of the church this Trust will do the same.

[Exchange of Land.]

That the Collector, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Rodgers, and Mr. Hadfield be deputed to meet a deputation from the Church Burgesses in order to arrange an exchange between the two Trusts to their mutual advantage.

[Land, Campo Lane.]

Town meeting, 11th May, 1831. Purchase of 83 yards of land from Mr. Burbeary, completed for £200, besides a few pounds by way of satisfaction to the tenants on quitting, £25 being allowed to the Trust for the old materials on the ground. £20 contributed towards a clock and bell for St. Mary's Church.

[Post Office.]

Mr. Haslehurst's application for a subscription towards the expense of removing the Post Office to the corner of Church street be declined. Ward, Collector, thanked and re-elected.

[Lead Mill Bridge.]

Town meeting, 6th June, 1831. Mr. Pearson gave notice that he would at the next meeting move that a sum not exceeding £50 be contributed towards the improvement of the public bridge near the Lead Mills by widening the road over the same, and raising the battlements.

Town meeting, 17th June, 1831. Resolved that £50 be contributed towards improving the public bridge near the Lead Mills.

[Queen Street Extension.]

Ordered that Mr. John Darwin's assignees be informed that in consequence of the difficulties the Trustees meet with in the proposed continuation of Queen street they have abandoned the scheme for the present.

[Radford Row, Broad Lane.]

Town meeting, 23rd August, 1831. Ordered that the Collector, Mr. Battie, Mr. Ellison, and Mr. Hadfield be deputed to view the premises between Radford row and Broad lane, and report as to what improvements can be made there.

[Dr. Thompson.]

The vote of the Trust to be given to Dr. Thompson at the approaching election of a Physician to the Infirmary.

[Boys' Charity School Play Ground.]

Mr. Rodgers gave notice that he would at the next meeting move that a sum not exceeding £50 be contributed towards the expense of providing a play ground for the Charity School for Poor boys.[1]

[Coronation Fireworks.]

That this Trust contribute 15 gs. towards the proposed exhibition of fireworks by Mr. Bywater on occasion of the approaching Coronation.

[Clock, St. George's.]

A further grant of £10 made towards a clock for St. George's Church.

[Pond Street.]

The Collector, Mr. Rodgers, and Mr. Battie to inspect and report on the improvements that may be effected in Pond street with reference to the projection at the corner of Messrs. Darwin's works and the narrow part near the same.

[Coronation Address.]

Town meeting, 16th Sept., 1831. Resolved that the address to his Majesty on his coronation now read is approved, and that the seal of this Trust be affixed thereto. Resolved that the payment of 1s. each to the non-commissioned officers and privates of the Artillery and 15th Hussars who attended the procession on the King's Coronation day be confirmed.

[Reform Bill.]

Town meeting, 30th Sept., 1831. Petition to the House of Lords in favour of the reform bill approved and sealed. £50 voted towards providing a play ground for Boys' charity school "at the top of the school."

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[1] The Charity School boys formerly used the Parish Churchyard for a playground, but this being objected to, Mr. Samuel Roberts conceived the idea of forming a playground at the top of the school. It was towards the cost of this that the Town Trustees contributed.

[Pond Street.]

Committee reported in favour of an improvement near Darwin's works in Pond street, and Mr. Fairbank was instructed to prepare a plan and estimate for the same.

[Radford Row and Broad Lane.]

Committee on Radford row and Broad lane reported in favour of removing the projecting corner of No. 47, map 5, next to Townhead street, and were deputed to negotiate with the tenant for carrying the improvement into effect. Resolved that this Trust accommodate the medical institution with the sum of £270 by way of loan on the joint and several bond of three or more of the members of that institution, at 3 per cent. interest repayable by instalments of not less than £20 each within the term of 5 years.

Town meeting, 31st Oct., 1831. Fairbank reports on Pond street improvement and the exchange with Mr. Silcock.

£5. 5s. voted towards the lamps between the Police boundary and Pitsmoor toll bar.

[Cholera.]

Town Trustees' meeting, 7th Nov., 1831. It was resolved that the Magistrates, the Cutlers' Company, the Church Burgesses, the Infirmary Board, the surveyors of Highways, and the church wardens and overseers of the poor for the several Townships within the Parish, the deputation from the Police Commissioners already appointed, and the members of the medical profession be invited by advertisement to meet the Town Trustees at the Cutlers' hall on Wednesday next, the 9th inst., at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to determine on the means to be adopted for preventing the cholera or mitigating it should that malignant disease unfortunately appear in Sheffield. That the thanks of this meeting be given to the members of the Medical Institution and to Dr. Thompson for their valuable communications on the subject. That circulars be specially addressed to Hugh Parker, Esq., as senior magistrate, Dr. Favell, as secretary of the Medical Institution, Dr. Thompson, the Master Cutler, the Capital Church Burgess, the chairman of the Infirmary Board, and Mr. Edward Smith as secretary to the Society for Bettering the condition of the Poor, requesting their attendance at the proposed meeting on the 9th inst.[1]

[1] Notwithstanding the precautions adopted, the cholera appeared in the town in 1832, and from July to November attacked 1,347 persons, of whom 402 died.

[Sessions House.]

That Hugh Parker, Esq., as senior magistrate be invited to dine with the Trustees on Friday next (their rent day), with such of his colleagues as may wish to confer with the Trustees on the subject of improving the sessions house.

Town meeting, 11th Nov., 1831. Resolved that the attention of the Trust be arrested to the best mode of improving the sessions house.

[Cholera.]

Collector authorised to say the Trust will contribute as the emergency of the occasion may require towards the fund for preventing or mitigating the cholera.

[Pond Street.]

Mr. Fairbank reported on Pond street improvement that a quantity of ground may be bought at a cost of £60 and £30, so as to make the street 20ft. wide instead of 15ft. 10in. Fairbank authorised to carry out that improvement.

[Anatomy Petition.]

Town meeting, 15th Dec., 1831. Seal of the Trust affixed to a petition to Parliament praying for the removal of the difficulties by which the study of anatomy is at present impeded.

[New Cutlers' Hall.]

Plan of the intended new Cutlers' hall approved.

Mr. Fairbank authorised to carry out the widening of Wheat's lane on the terms proposed by him.

[Queen Street Extension.]

That the Collector, Mr. Battie, and Mr. Hadfield, together with Mr. Fairbank, wait upon Mr. Hugh Parker to ascertain how far he may be able to further the scheme of extending Queen street as relates to the interest of Darwin and Co.'s assignees.

[Cholera.]

30th Dec., 1831. £200 voted towards the present wants of the Cholera Committee.

[Sessions House.]

9th Jan., 1832. Plans considered for improving the Sessions House. £20 contributed to the Lancasterian infant school.

Mr. Ellison authorised to preserve the game on the lands in Hallam.

[Dispensary.]

14th Feb., 1832. Mr. Fisher gave notice of a motion for a grant of 200 gs. and an annual subscription of 5 gs. towards the proposed General Dispensary.

[Election of Trustees.]

Resolved that our clerk look into the Act of Parliament and Commission of Charitable uses, and report to the next meeting as to the election of a new Trustee in the place of Mr. John Shore, deceased, and the resignation of his Trust by Vincent Henry Eyre, Esq., on account of non-residence.

[Dispensary.]

10th April, 1832. Resolved that an annual subscription of ten guineas be given to the Dispensary now establishing in this Town, and that the announcement of such subscription be accompanied with an assurance that this Trust, feeling convinced of the utility of such an establishment, will contribute towards the erection of a suitable building for the purposes of the Institution when such measure shall be decided on.

[Green Lane.]

Mr. Rodgers gave notice to move a grant of £100 towards improving the communication between Green lane and the Penistone Turnpike road.

Town meeting, 11th April, 1832. £100 granted towards improving the communication between Green lane and the Penistone Turnpike road if the owners of property in the neighbourhood will contribute the remainder of the money required, and that the improvement is made to the satisfaction of Mr. Rodgers.

[Sessions House.]

Messrs. Woodhead and Hurst's plans for improving the Sessions House submitted to Mr. H. Parker and his brother magistrates.

[Mr. B. Withers and the Accounts.]

Resolved that the case submitted to Mr. Knight with his opinion thereon in 1828 as regards Mr. Withers, one of the Trustees, be copied into the general account book at the foot of his written objection to the accounts for the three years ending 11th May, 1831.

Meeting at the Tontine, Friday, 11th May, 1832. T. A. Ward re-elected collector. William Bland resigned his office of Town Beadle.

[From this point the Trustees cease to sign the minutes. The names of those present are recorded by the clerk.]

[Dispensary.]

Meeting at Mr. Wheat's office, Monday, 4th June, 1832. Collector authorised to vote at election of surgeons to the General Dispensary for Mr. Ray, Mr. Gregory, and Mr. Thomas, and to use his own discretion as to his votes for Physicians and a house apothecary.

[Town Beadle.]

29th June, 1832. John Cooper, of Sheffield, labourer, was elected gaoler and Town beadle in place of William Bland, resigned.

[Mr. Favell.]

6th Sept., 1832. The Collector, or in his absence Mr. Bailey, authorised to vote for Mr. Favell as surgeon to the Infirmary.

[Canal—Sheffield and Chesterfield.]

That the consideration of the subject of subscribing to the proposed junction of the Sheffield and Chesterfield canals be postponed until Mr. George Leather, the engineer, shall have made his report on the eligibility of the measure.

[Cholera.]

£200 having been voted in aid of the cholera fund, and £150 only having been paid, resolved that the remaining £50 be appropriated to the discharge of the demands on that account not falling within the strict letter of the orders in Council.

[Angel Street.]

11th Sept., 1832, at Mr. Wheat's office. Resolved that this Trust contribute £200 towards improving the corner of Mr. Creswick's (late Jubb's) premises at the bottom of Angel street, he having agreed to give 7½ square yards of ground to the street there.

[Sheffield and Chesterfield Canals.]

This meeting being of opinion that the proposed scheme for uniting the Sheffield and Chesterfield canals is likely to be beneficial to the Town of Sheffield, resolved that this Trust subscribe for 10 shares in the above undertaking. Resolved that this Trust subscribe £20 towards a clock and bell for St. Philip's Church.

[Queen Street Extension.]

Hugh Parker having offered to mediate between the Trustees and Darwin's assignees as to the purchase of the leasehold premises in Workhouse croft, the Clerk and Mr. Fairbank furnish him with the necessary information.

[Order Book.]

Ordered that for the purpose of more ready reference to the orders of this Trust our Clerk be directed to prepare an alphabetical index to our Order Book.

[Sessions House.]

Meeting of the Town Collector and his assistants at the Tontine Inn, on Monday, 12th Nov., 1832. Plans for improving the Sessions house approved and carried into effect under the direction of the Town Trustees. Woodhead and Hurst to prepare writings and specifications and estimate. To ascertain the rate at which the Freemasons' lodge can be rented for the use of the Magistrates during the alterations.

[Queen Street.]

Order to present Hugh Parker with information about Darwin and Co.'s affair suspended for the present.

[Wheat's Lane.]

Collector to pay Fairbank £40. 19s. 1d., balance of his account, for improving Wheat's lane and Campo lane.

£5 subscribed towards 8 public lamps on Glossop road, and that this resolution be communicated to Mr. Francis Newton.

[Mechanics' Institute.]

Trust approve the establishment of a Mechanics' Institute in Sheffield, and will be prepared to give it their support when a more detailed scheme has been laid before them.

[Poor Relief.]

£10 contributed towards the Pond street soup establishment for the Poor.

[Clerk's Salary.]

That the clerk's annual bill, amounting to £37. 12s. 2d., be paid, and that his salary in future be £20, including the charges heretofore made for preparing the half-yearly Rentals and Receipts, and attending the rent days.

[Sessions House.]

11th Dec., 1832. Mr. Hurst having produced working drawings and specifications for the improvements of the Sessions House, it was ordered that an advertisement for tenders be inserted in the Doncaster paper, the *Leeds Mercury*, the *Yorkshire Gazette*, the Chesterfield paper, and the *Manchester Guardian*, and twice in each of the Sheffield papers.

Meeting, 14th Jan., 1833. Tenders let for the alterations at the sessions house as follows:—Masons' and bricklayers' work to Thomas Thompson for £1131. 4s. 3d.; plumbers' and glaziers' work to John Pitt for £185; plasterers' work to Ashley and Sons for £210; the painting to Robert Drury for £42, and the slaters' work to Samuel Brown and Brothers for £127. The carpenters' work was not let.

Meeting at Mr. Wheat's Office, 28th Jan., 1833. Carpenters' work let to William Exley, of York, for £1060.

[Town Clock.]

Holden be employed to remove and take charge of the Town clock.

[Earl Fitzwilliam's Funeral.]

Meeting, 14th Feb., 1833. Resolved that it is the opinion of this meeting that a high mark of respect should be paid by the public bodies of this Town on the occasion of the Funeral of the late Earl Fitzwilliam, and that the mode be left to the Master Cutler, the Capital Church Burgess, and the Town Collector, but that this meeting do not think it desirable that the shops should be closed on the occasion.

[Sabbath Observance.]

Meeting at Mr. Wheat's Office, 27th Feb., 1833. The Petition to Parliament agreed to at a public meeting of the Inhabitants of this Town respecting the observance of the Sabbath having been submitted to the consideration of the Trustees present, resolved that although this meeting concur in the opinion that the Sabbath is a divine ordinance, and ought to be kept by all ranks of persons, they still are convinced that the Laws already in existence are sufficient to accomplish that object provided they be duly enforced, and that therefore there does not appear any ground for attaching to the petition the seal of this Trust.

[Spring Street.]

That this Trust contribute £50 towards widening the street leading from Spring street to the Poor house.

[Arundel Street.]

Meeting at Mr. Wheat's office, 21st March, 1833. Mr. Rowland Hodgson having asked for 50 yards of his land in Arundel street, 20s. per yard, the Collector and Mr. Rodgers were deputed to communicate thereon with the surveyors of Highways who were to pay one half.

[Postal Facilities.]

Resolved that the seal of this Trust be affixed to the Petition (now read and altered) to the Post-master General for accelerating the arrival of the Leeds and Birmingham mails in Sheffield.

[Town Clock.]

The order of 28th Jan. last for employing Mr. Holden about the Town clock suspended, and in the meantime Mr. Lomas be continued in the superintendence thereof.

[Special Terms in Leases.]

That no lease be in future granted by this Trust without power being reserved to the Lessors of resuming the premises demised where they may be wanted for public improvements.

[Publication of Accounts.]

Meeting at Mr. Wheat's office, 22nd April, 1833. A proposition having been made by the Collector that an abstract of the Trust accounts should be published annually, resolved that this Trust are willing to agree to such proposition when they shall be requested to do so by a respectable number of their constituents.

[Campo Lane.]

Mr. Bright having offered to take 227 guineas for 187 yards of freehold ground and 77 yards of glebe land in Campo lane, resolved that our law clerk be directed to enquire into the Title, and report thereon at the next meeting.

[Right of Light.]

The Trustees of the late William Bramley having applied for the signature of the Trust to a memorandum agreeing to pay to them an annual acknowledgment for the privilege of opening lights, &c., in the wall at the west end of the Town hall looking into their property adjoining, resolved that it be referred to our clerk to settle the Terms of such memorandum with Mr. Bramley, the solicitor to the said Trustees.

[This concludes the entries in the volume of minutes beginning 1st Sept., 1802.]

VOLUME OF MINUTES, 1833-1848.

[Town Hall Rearing.]

24th May, 1833, £10 given to the workmen on the rearing of the Town's hall, the number employed being estimated at 96.

[Pump, Little Sheffield.]

That £5 be contributed towards an additional pump at Little Sheffield. That £5 be subscribed towards the bust of the late Earl Fitzwilliam.

11th Oct., 1833. A further sum of £5 contributed towards a pump at Little Sheffield.

[Reservoir, Bower Spring.]

That Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Fisher, and Mr. Hadfield be deputed to view the Reservoir at Bower Spring, and to determine as to the propriety of erecting a pump there.

Subscriptions continued of £5. 5s. towards the lamps between the Police boundary and Pitsmoor toll bar.

[Clerk's Dinners.]

12th May, 1834. That the expenses of the clerks' dinners at the half-yearly rent days do not exceed in any case £2, or 8s. each person, where a less number than 5 are present.

17th Oct., 1834. £100 contributed to the Sheffield dispensary.

£20 contributed to the erection of a monument on the cholera burial ground.

[Lancasterian Infant School.]

£30 contributed towards the debt owing by the Lancasterian Infant School, and a like sum to the Infant Schools connected with the church.

[Compensation.]

22nd Dec., 1834. The sum of £20 voted towards purchasing an annuity for Samuel Martin, a disabled watchman who was severely wounded in the discharge of his duty on the occasion of the late election for this Borough.

[Sheffield and Duffield Turnpike Road.]

6th Feb., 1835. Resolved on the motion of Mr. Ellison that £100 be contributed by the Trust towards the proposed

Improvement of the Sheffield and Duffield Turnpike road according to the plan now produced and therein coloured Blue, yellow, and deep red.

[Charge for Use of Town Hall.]

Charge for use of rooms in the Town Hall reduced one half, except for Bankruptcy meetings.

[Vacancies and Election.]

29th July, 1835. There being two vacancies on the Trust occasioned by the deaths of Mr. John Shore and Mr. Francis Fenton, resolved that there be an election of two Trustees to fill up the vacancies in case the decree of Charitable uses authorises an election before the decease of three Trustees, in which case our clerk advertise a meeting for that purpose to take place at the Town hall on Thursday, the 20th August next, at 12 o'clock.

[Bower Spring.]

4th Sept., 1835. That Mr. Battie and Mr. Ellison be deputed to inquire into the right of the Trustees to Bower Spring, and how far they can comply with Messrs. Warburton and Co.'s application to take in and enclose the same, and report thereon to the next meeting.

[The Pinfold.]

11th Nov., 1835. It is recommended that the present Pinfold be discontinued, and that when another suitable place can be provided the present site be let on building terms, and that Mr. Ellison be requested to point out another situation.

[North Midland Railway.]

That the Trustees present meet the Cutlers' Company to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, to discuss the subject of surveying the best line for bringing the North Midland railway to or near Sheffield.

[Park Church.]

25th Nov., 1835. Letter from the vicar of Sheffield soliciting a donation towards the erection of a church in the Park. Resolved that the same be declined, it not having been the practice of this Trust to contribute any part of the Trust funds to objects of that nature.

[Widening Watery Lane.]

£30 voted towards widening the lane at the back of the Infirmary called Watery lane.

[North Midland Railway.]

15th Jan., 1836. Resolved that this Trust contribute £50 towards the expense of inquiring into the practicability of including Sheffield in the direct line of the North Midland railway. That Railway communication between Sheffield and Manchester is very desirable, and that this Trust is disposed to support the present or any other scheme having that object in view which may appear practicable.

[Tinsley Turnpike.]

29th Feb., 1836. Seal of the Trust affixed to a petition in favour of a bill brought into Parliament by the Sheffield Canal Company for making the Sheffield and Tinsley road a Turnpike.

[Dun Navigation.]

11th April, 1836. Seal of the Trust affixed to petition in favour of a Bill for improving the navigation of the Dun.

[North Midland Railway.]

18th April, 1836. Resolved that an additional sum of £150 be contributed towards bringing the North Midland railway through Sheffield.

[Sheffield and Manchester Railway.]

15th June, 1836. Resolved to take ten shares in the proposed Sheffield and Manchester railway. That the Trustees present concur in the resolution of the police Commissioners on the 8th inst. now submitted to them, containing a recommendation to increase the number of West Riding Magistrates residing in or near the Town of Sheffield, so that there may be a daily attendance at Sheffield of a Justice of the Peace for the better administration of its police.

[Bankers.]

5th July, 1836. Sheffield Banking Company appointed the bankers of this Trust.

[Proposed Almshouses.]

8th July, 1836. Address from inhabitants asking the Trustees to establish a permanent charity by erecting suitable buildings as tenements for 21 poor, aged, and indigent Inhabitants, and granting each inmate a weekly stipend for their maintenance. Resolved that the trust not having legal power to alienate permanently any portion of the property vested in it cannot accede to the wish of the memorialists. The memorialists to be informed that in the event of their establishing such an Institution the Trustees will be ready to assist by contributing to the funds.

[Proposed Street, South Street to Fargate.]

10th Oct., 1836. A deputation from the promoters of a scheme for making a new street from the north end of South street, Sheffield moor, to Fargate, and another new street from the west end of Queen street to West bar green, having submitted to this meeting a plan and estimate of the proposed improvements, resolved that this Trust take 50 shares of £50 each in the above undertaking, with a recommendation to the Promoters to include the widening of Snig hill in the general scheme.

[Snig Hill Improvement.]

18th Oct., 1836. That the plan for widening Snig hill be included in the intended Act of Parliament, and that this Trust indemnify the promoters of the Act against the expense of the last mentioned Improvement.

[Sundries.]

£30 contributed towards the debt owing by the Lancasterian Infant School.

A like sum contributed to the Infant schools connected with the church.

5 guineas contributed towards a glass case for the clock at St. George's Church.

A donation of 10 guineas to the Sabbath Observance Society.

[Improvement Act.]

11th Nov., 1836. Plan for widening Trippett lane and Pinfold street to be included in the intended Act of Parliament, and the promoters indemnified against the expenses of the above improvement.

[Church Street Improvement.]

Mr. Battie and Mr. Hadfield to negotiate with the Hallamshire bank for the purchase of a small strip of land in front of the intended new Bank in Church street for the purpose of widening the street there.

£10 donation to the Aged Female Society.

[Election.]

31st March, 1837. Clerk ordered to advertise a meeting of Freeholders to be held at the Town hall on the 5th May next, at 11 a.m., to elect three Trustees in place of Mr. John Shore, Francis Fenton, and Rowland Hodgson, deceased.[1]

[1] Messrs. Joseph Levick, Jun., John Wilson Hawksworth, and William Vickers were elected. There was great excitement and an unprecedented

[Mad Dogs.]

5th May, 1837. Resolved that this Trust contribute £50 in aid of the subscription for the destruction of mad dogs.

[Church at Fullwood.]

11th May, 1837. Trustees declined to give a site for a church at Fullwood; also declined to furnish Mr. Unwin, one of the candidates at the late election of Town Trustees, with a list of the electors who voted for him.

[Princess Victoria's Majority.]

23rd May, 1837. Resolved that this Trust contribute one-half of the expense to be incurred in the celebration of the attainment by the Princess Victoria of her majority, on the Cutlers' Company agreeing to contribute the other half.

[Queen Victoria.]

26th June, 1837. Ordered that the arrangements on the proclamation of Queen Victoria be the same as on the 23rd May last upon her attaining her majority, the Cutlers' Company contributing one-half of the expense and this Trust the other half.

[Education.]

16th Oct., 1837. The Town Trustees regret that they cannot with propriety subscribe towards the proposed public meeting on national education.

[Proposed Act of Parliament.]

30th Oct., 1837. Resolved that the necessary notices be given of an application to Parliament for powers to enable this Trust to carry into execution the proposed plan of continuing Queen street into Scotland street, and for improving Trippett lane, Pinfold lane, Snig hill, Carver street, and Gibraltar street, and that the above mentioned improvements in Townhead street, Tenter street, Colson street, Holly street, South street, and Pinstone street be included in such notice.

[Bettering Society.]

13th Nov., 1837. £100 contributed to the Society for bettering the condition of the Poor.

[Improvement Act.]

20th Dec., 1837. Trustees signified their consent to the proposed Improvement Act, and signed the petition to Parliament for leave to bring in the bill.

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attendance of freeholders. The defeated candidates were James Creswick, Thomas Porter, Edwin Unwin, Robert Sorby, Thomas Deakin, and John Sykes.

The heads of the Improvement bill to be published, and a copy of the plan deposited at the police office for the inspection of the inhabitants.

[Sheffield and Manchester Railway.]

17th Jan., 1838. Resolved to take Ten additional shares in the proposed Sheffield and Manchester railway.

[Charities.]

22nd Jan., 1838. Resolved to contribute £100 to the funds of the Sheffield General Dispensary.

£50 to the Aged Female Society. £200 to the proposed subscription for the relief of the Poor.

[Charter of Incorporation.]

28th Feb., 1838. The following resolution having been moved and seconded, namely, "That this Trust fully approves of the application of the Town of Sheffield for a charter of incorporation as the means not only to obtain a system of municipal government, but also greater facilities in the direction and regulation of its internal concerns, and that this Trust will as far as it has legal power support such application in the way best adapted to ensure its success;" and an amendment having also been moved and seconded to the effect "that this Trust remain neuter in respect thereto," the amendment was adopted by the meeting. The Trustees present were T. A. Ward (collector), Thomas Pearson, B. Withers, W. Battie, J. Rodgers, Joseph Levick, M. Ellison, W. Fisher, S. Hadfield, S. Bailey, and J. W. Hawksworth.

[Relief of the Poor.]

23rd March, 1838. Further sum of £100 voted in aid of the Relief of the poor.

[Sheffield and Manchester Railway.]

Resolved that the additional share allotted to the Trustees in the Sheffield and Manchester railway undertaking be taken by them.

[Improvement Bill.]

12th April, 1838. The Trustees present, with the exception of Mr. B. Withers, signed a copy of the Bill now pending in Parliament for the Improvement of the Town, signifying their assent thereto. Ordered that the Collector pay our clerk £300 on account of the Parliamentary expenses relating to the above Bill.

[Queen Victoria's Coronation.]

25th June, 1838. That this Trust contribute not exceeding £50 towards the Coronation expenses, the Cutlers' Company contributing the like sum. That £5 be given to the Police on the occasion of the Coronation, the same to be laid out under the direction of Mr. Raynor [chief constable.]

[Brook Hill Improvement.]

7th Sept., 1838. £30 contributed towards the expense of levelling the road between St. George's Church and Mushroom hall. That £20 be likewise contributed towards the expense of lowering the road between Mushroom hall and Mr. Staniforth's house at Westbourne.

[Game Preservation.]

22nd Oct., 1838. The Duke of Norfolk and the Hallams Game Association to preserve the game on the estates of this Trust in Upper Hallam at a rental of £4 a year.

[Fever Wards, Infirmary.]

7th Dec., 1838. Mr. Hadfield moved that £300 be contributed by this Trust towards the erection of the proposed fever wards in connection with the Infirmary. Carried.

[Corn Laws.]

5th Feb., 1839. Ordered that the Town seal be affixed to the Petitions to Parliament now produced for the abolition of the corn laws.

[The London Mails.]

That Mr. Ellison and Mr. William Vickers be requested to wait on Mr. Maberley on the subject of expediting the London mail to Sheffield, and to make the requisite enquiries as to what is now doing in that respect, and to forward the matter as much as possible.

[St. John's Clock and Bell.]

8th April, 1839. That £20 be contributed by this Trust towards a clock and bell at St. John's Church in the Park.

[New Bridge.]

28th April, 1839. Resolved that this Trust contribute £200 towards the proposed new carriage bridge over the River Don, near Neepsend, provided the same be of stone and free from all toll.

[Penny Postage.]

22nd July, 1839. Resolved that this Trust present a petition to the House of Lords in favour of establishing a uniform

penny postage upon the plan of Mr. Rowland Hill. That Earl Fitzwilliam be requested to present the petition, and to support its prayer so far as he may concur in the views of the petition.

[Mechanics' Institution.]

30th Dec., 1839. That the sum of £200 be contributed out of the funds of this Trust to the Mechanics' Institution of this Town in aid of the subscription to provide a suitable building for the same.

[Rewards for Police Services—Chartist Riots.]

5th May, 1840. Resolved that the sum of £100 be paid from the funds of this Trust to the Magistrates of the Sheffield Petty Sessions, to be by them appropriated in rewarding extraordinary services rendered by the Constables and Police and others during the outbreak of the Chartists in January last, and in paying the expenses incurred during the time the peace of the Town was interrupted. Resolved that this Trust contribute £10 in aid of the subscription for a piece of plate to be presented to Colonel Martin [of the Royal Dragoon Guards] for his services on the above occasion.

[Church at Darnall.]

Ordered that the application of the Rev. Mr. Blackburn for assistance from this Trust towards the erection of the proposed new church and schools at Darnall be declined as not being within the limits of this Trust.

[Chimes, Parish Church.]

That Mr. Holden's application for a subscription by this Trust towards the Improvement of the Parish Church chimes be also declined on account of the many more pressing claims upon the Trust funds.

[St. George's Clock.]

18th May, 1840. Declined to pay £6. 15s. 6d. for matters relating to the clock in St. George's Church.

[New Street—South Street to Fargate.]

11th Nov., 1840. Ordered that £22. 12s. 10d., the proportion of the expenses on the 50 shares taken by this Trust in the scheme for making a new street from South street, Sheffield moor, to Fargate, &c., be paid by the Collector.

[Scotland Street Pump.]

4th Jan., 1841. Mr. Fisher and Mr. Hadfield having reported that the Scotland street pump is useless, resolved that a wall be built to enclose the ground for the present till it can be advantageously disposed of.

[Rugs for Prisoners.]

As it appears that the prisons at Sheffield have not been provided with the necessary rugs and straw for the use of prisoners confined therein, resolved that the Collector and Mr. Fisher apply to the Magistrates to know what they may be willing to do in that respect, and if they cannot obtain a satisfactory answer, that Cooper [the beadle] be instructed to provide what may be needful for the present.

[Dr. G. C. Holland's Vital Statistics.]

25th Jan., 1841. That £100 be subscribed towards a statistical account prepared by Dr. Holland, of the Borough of Sheffield, upon the same principle as that lately published for the Township of Leeds, provided the expenses thereof, including 20 guineas to the Doctor for his trouble, do not exceed that sum, but in case they do not reach £100 the Collector is directed to contribute only such sum as they actually amount to. That Mr. Ward and Mr. Ellison be requested to see the above resolution carried into effect.

26th March, 1841. £30 granted to Fullwood School.

[Distressed Fork Grinders.]

2nd Dec., 1841. That £10 be contributed by this Trust towards the relief of the distressed Fork grinders, the committee engaging to apply the money exclusively to the sick of the trade and those not able to work.

[Distressed Poor—Christening Prince of Wales.]

24th Jan., 1842. Resolved that in the opinion of the present meeting the sum of £150 should be contributed by this Trust as the commencement of a public subscription towards the relief of the distressed poor of Sheffield on the occasion of the christening of the Prince of Wales.

[Sheffield and Manchester Railway.]

12th April, 1842. Resolved that four additional shares in the Sheffield and Manchester railway be accepted by this Trust on the Terms offered by the special general meeting of shareholders on the 12th Jan. last.

[Account Books.]

11th May, 1842. That the Collector be requested to procure such books as he may think necessary wherein to enter the half-yearly rental of the farm and ground rents belonging to this Trust, describing the situation of the different properties. That a Ledger account be kept of the shares, Loans to Turnpike roads, and other investments by this Trust, showing the sums so invested and the receipt of the dividends in respect thereof.

[School of Design.]

6th June, 1842. The Master Cutler and Wardens having attended respecting the proposed School of Design, resolved that this Trust are in favour of the measure, and are willing to concur with the Cutlers' Company in promoting it.

[Two Gas Companies.]

11th Nov., 1842. Resolved that the lighting of the Town hall and of the lamp at the Post office be henceforth equally divided between the two gas companies. Mr. Ward, Mr. Hadfield, and Mr. Hawksworth deputed to revise the terms and enter into the other necessary arrangements with the two gas companies respecting the division of the lighting between them.

[Blankets for the Poor.]

21st Nov., 1842. Ordered that this Trust contribute £50 towards providing Blankets, &c., for the unemployed workmen.

£20 to the Lancasterian Schools.

[Holland's Vital Statistics.]

£10 to be contributed towards the publication of the statistical information collected by Dr. Holland, provided the comments forming part of the manuscript be omitted.

[School of Design.]

13th Dec., 1842. Ordered that the sum of £10 per annum be subscribed by this Trust to the Sheffield School of Design.

[Fullwood Chapel.]

31st March, 1843. Resolved that the application to this Trust for a contribution to Fullwood Chapel be declined.

[Bankruptcy Court.]

11th April, 1843. Resolved that a Petition to the Queen in Council be presented by this Trust, praying that her Majesty will be graciously pleased to make such order as to

her Majesty may seem fit whereby the Town of Sheffield may have its own separate Court, Commissioner, and other officers in Bankruptcy, and that our clerk be directed to prepare the draft of such petition accordingly.

11th May, 1843. Further donation of £20 to the Lancasterian Schools.

[Outrage at Globe Works.]

20th Oct., 1843. Resolved that the sum of £50 be contributed by this Trust towards the reward offered on the conviction of the perpetrators of the late outrage at Globe works.[1]

[Railway Shares.]

That the 62 quarter shares in the Sheffield and Manchester railway offered by the company to this Trust be accepted by them.

[Holland's Vital Statistics.]

13th Nov., 1843. Resolved that in addition to the £75 and £10 already voted to Dr. Holland towards his statistical works, the further sum of £15 be contributed to that object, making in all £100, the sum originally proposed.

[Hailstorm.]

£10 allowed Thomas Woodburn (tenant of one of the farms) for damage done to his wheat by the late Hail storm.[2]

£5 contributed to the Lancasterian Infant School.

[Sheffield and Chesterfield Railway.]

30th Jan., 1844. Resolved that this Trust take forty shares in the proposed railway undertaking from Sheffield to Chesterfield.

[New Post Office.]

1st March, 1844. Resolved that this Trust will co-operate with the merchants and manufacturers of the Town towards the expense of providing a new Post office, the plans thereof being first approved of by the Trustees.

[Sheffield and Chesterfield Railway.]

19th March, 1844. Resolved that this Trust present a petition to the two Houses of Parliament praying that the

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[1] Sept. 30. There was an explosion at Globe Works caused by the insertion of an iron pipe charged with gunpowder, and fired by a fuse. A few days before (22nd Sept.) there had been an explosion in the hardening shop of Mr. Pagden, Howard Street.

[2] July 5. Most destructive hailstorm. 5700 squares of glass broken at the Botanical Gardens.

Bill for making a railway from Sheffield to Chesterfield to unite with the North Midland railway be allowed to pass into Law, and that the petitions now read be approved and signed by the chairman, and be handed to Messrs. Wilson, Younge, and Pierson, the solicitors to the Bill, for presentation. That this Trust pay the expense of the Petitions.

[Botanical Gardens.]

22nd April, 1844. That the Trustees having taken into consideration the proposal of the deputation from the promoters of the new Botanical and Horticultural Society, are of opinion that the object is not one to which they can with propriety appropriate any part of their Trust funds.

[Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway.]

22nd June, 1844. The Trustees at this meeting declined to take shares in the proposed Sheffield and Lincolnshire railway.

13th Sept., 1844. That a meeting be held at the Town hall on Wednesday next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, respecting the proposed Gainsboro', Sheffield, and Chesterfield, and Sheffield and Lincolnshire railways.

[Sheffield and Chesterfield Railway.]

11th Nov., 1844. Resolved that the proposed return of 18s. per share on the deposit in the late Sheffield and Chesterfield railway scheme be accepted.

Donation of £5 ordered to the Lancasterian Infant School.

[Sheffield Water Works.]

23rd Jan., 1845. Resolved that this Trust accept the ten half shares which they will have the option of taking as original shareholders in the Sheffield Water Works Company under the intended new Act relating thereto.

[Philosophical Hall.]

7th July, 1845. That the confirmation of the vote of £100 by this Trust towards the erection of a Philosophical hall be taken into consideration at the next meeting.

[Selling Railway Shares.]

That the Collector be authorised to sell ten of the original shares belonging to this Trust in the Sheffield and Manchester railway.

[Town Improvements.]

Oct. 17th, 1845. Resolved that a sub-committee be appointed to make an occular survey of the Town of Sheffield, and to report the result of their opinion to a meeting of the Trustees as to what further improvements should be made preparatory to considering the propriety of applying to Parliament for powers to effect them. Mr. Ward, Mr. Hadfield, Mr. Fisher, and Mr. Levick to form the sub-committee, Mr. Ellison having promised to render assistance if required.

[Turnpike Securities.]

The Law Clerk to examine the mortgages and other securities on Turnpike roads to see what are the Trusts thereof, and whether the Trustees have power to dispose of them for general purposes.

[South Yorkshire Coal Railway.]

That the prospectus of the South Yorkshire Coal railway be approved, and that the chairman support the project at the special meeting of the River Dun Company on the 21st inst.

[Turnpike Securities.]

30th Oct., 1845. Mr. Staniforth (clerk) reported the mortgages had been examined; that the name of the Collector for the time being was inserted therein without any special Trusts, and that the principal monies were applicable to the general purposes of this Trust.

[South Yorkshire Coal Railway.]

Mr. Ward (Collector) having read the Dun Company's (Law Clerk's) letter of the 26th October, 1845, informing this Trust that as proprietors of ten shares in the River Dun Navigation they were entitled to hold 1330 shares of £20 each in the South Yorkshire Coal Railway Company, resolved that this Trust accept the 1330 shares, and that the necessary deposit be paid, and the Parliamentary deeds executed when required.

[Improvement Bill]

6th Nov., 1845. Notices to be given of application to Parliament for a bill for further street Improvements.

[Halifax Road.]

The Halifax road Trustees having intimated their wish to pay off the mortgage money belonging to this Trust, resolved that the amount be paid at their convenience.

[Sheffield Water and Sewerage Company.]

The chairman having laid before the meeting a prospectus of the Sheffield Water and Sewerage Company, and also a letter from Mr. F. W. Wilson, one of the Company's solicitors, wishing the co-operation of this Trust, resolved that this Trust decline the invitation.

[South Yorkshire Coal Railway.]

7th Jan., 1846. Resolved that this Trust decline to take any further shares in the South Yorkshire Coal railway.

[Proposed Railway Junction.]

That the Town Collector and Capital Church Burgess confer as to the answer to be given to the notices served by the Manchester, Sheffield, and Midland junction railway company on the two Trusts affecting their property in Nag's head court and the Haymarket.

2nd Feb., 1846. Resolved that the chairman and Law Clerk be requested to wait on John Parker, Esq., M.P., and the committee of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne, and Manchester Railway Company now assembled in London, and obtain a guarantee on their part to defray the expenses of the Act of Parliament for the erection of the proposed Bridge over the river Dun, and the preliminary proceedings relating thereto. That the Chairman be empowered to order the petition and bill for the building of the Bridge to be forthwith presented to the House of Commons, provided the railway company will agree to defray not less than half the expense of the Act and the preliminary proceedings.

[Mr. Wheat's Resignation.]

Mr. Wheat's resignation having been read by the Town Collector, resolved that Mr. Wheat be requested by the chairman to continue his office as clerk till arrangements be made for the appointment of his successor.

13th Feb., 1846. Mr. Wheat, the Law Clerk, having tendered his resignation on account of the state of his health, the Trustees cannot accept it without expressing their great regret both for his retirement and for the cause of it; nor without putting on record their sense of the able and faithful manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office through a long series of years.

[John Staniforth Appointed Clerk.]

Mr. John Staniforth was unanimously appointed to succeed Mr. Wheat in the office of clerk to this Trust.

[Manchester, Sheffield, and Midland Junction Railway.]

16th March, 1846. A deputation from the committee of the Manchester, Sheffield, and Midland Junction Railway having represented to this meeting that the buildings and property in the neighbourhood of Flat street and Pond hill mentioned in the schedule to the Streets Improvement bill were also comprised in the Book of reference of the projected railway, and that they were desirous to avoid any opposition in Parliament in regard thereto, it was resolved that if Parliament sanction both Bills this Trust consent to the Railway Company's powers for the purchase of the above property having a priority over those contained in the Street Improvement Act for the like purpose, and that whether the latter Act be passed before or after the Railway Act.

[Free Writing School.]

That Messrs. Levick and Withers confer with Mr. George Hounsfield, the Capital Church Burgess, in respect of rates being imposed upon the House occupied by Mr. Wild, the master of the Free Writing School, and report thereon.

[Use of Sessions Room for Divine Service.]

13th April, 1846. Use of the Sessions room in the Town hall granted to the Rev. William Bruce, perpetual curate of the Wicker Ecclesiastical district, for divine service on Sundays till the erection of a church in the Wicker.

[Streets Bill.]

The clerk reports that Lord Shaftesbury had stopped the progress of the Streets bill until it had received the directions of the Court of Chancery, being an appropriation of charity funds. A petition to the Lord High Chancellor was approved and signed, praying for the passing of the Streets Improvement bill. £300 paid to Dorrington and Co., Parliamentary agents, on account of fees and other expenses in reference to the Streets bill.

[Crookes Parsonage.]

Rev. W. H. Vale, on behalf of the Trustees of St. Thomas's Church, Crookes, asked for a contribution towards providing a parsonage house. The request was declined.

[Safety Box.]

2nd Sept., 1846. That a safety box for the Trust papers and documents be purchased by the Collector and clerk.

[Election, Henry Wilkinson.]

2nd Nov., 1846. The clerk reported that (pursuant to the late Act of Parliament) Mr. Henry Wilkinson, of Endcliffe hall, had been duly elected a Trustee in the place of Vincent Henry Eyre, Esq., resigned.[1]

[River Dun Navigation.]

Provided Parliament or the Court of Chancery sanction this Trust as River Dun proprietors acceding to the scheme now read for the amalgamation of that navigation with the South Yorkshire Coal Railway Company, propounded by the Railway Company and recommended by the Dun committee for the adoption of the proprietors, a copy whereof is as follows, viz.:—That the Dun proprietors on the passing of the Act of Amalgamation shall in lieu of each Dun share be entitled to £3000 capital stock in the amalgamated company, the Railway Company having the option of paying off the £3000 in money at any time within ten years of the opening of the railway. It was resolved that this meeting authorise the Town Collector (as the holder of this Trust's proxy) to vote at to-morrow's special meeting of the Dun Company in favour of the above scheme or of such modified terms thereof as to him may seem more eligible for the benefit of this Trust.

Resolved that this Trust continue to hold the present number of shares subscribed for by them in the South Yorkshire Coal Railway Company. That the Collector be authorised by this meeting to vote in favour of the agreement or arrangement for the sale of the Sheffield Canal Company's navigation and property to the Sheffield and Lincolnshire Junction Railway Company conditionally entered into by the Canal Company's committee.

[Election Advertised.]

11th Nov., 1846. Mr. Pearson having sent his resignation as a Trustee, it was ordered that notices for an election on the 10th Dec. be advertised.[2]

[Railway Shares Sold.]

11th Jan., 1847. The Collector having reported that he had sold 350 shares in the South Yorkshire Railway (the gain being £76), resolved that he be authorised to sell an additional number of shares.

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[1] The election took place on the 30th October. There was no contest.

[2] Mr. William Butcher was elected. Mr. John Sykes and Mr. Thomas Dunn were defeated.

25th Jan., 1847. Resolved that the Collector suspend all further sales of South Yorkshire shares, they being at a discount.

[County Court.]

1st Feb., 1847. A letter dated "Treasury Chambers, Whitehall, 29th Jan., 1847," addressed to the Mayor of Sheffield by John Parker, Esq., M.P., with reference to the Act 9th and 10th Vic., c. 95, for the more easy recovery of small debts and demands in England, and who was directed by the Lords Commissioners of her Majesty's Treasury to state that there was an intention of authorising a County Court to be holden in Sheffield, and their lordships' request to be informed whether the necessary accommodation for holding such court would be provided in the Town hall without any charge for rent, &c., being made against the fee fund of the court for the occupation thereof whenever needed for the purposes of the Act, having been read, it was resolved that the use of the Hall be granted by the Town Trustees for holding such court therein for the purposes aforesaid without any charge for rent being payable to them out of the fee fund of the court, and that a copy of their resolution be forwarded to the Mayor for transmission to Mr. Parker.

[South Yorkshire Railway Bill.]

8th Feb., 1847. Mr. Ward reported his journey to London, and that his execution of the subscription deed had been declared irregular by the examiner, but it was believed the committee upstairs would suspend the standing orders in regard thereto, and that he had sold the shares subscribed for by the Trustees except about 100, and that the net gain was at least £200.

15th Feb., 1847. Mr. Ward read Mr. Baxter's letter that the committee upstairs had sanctioned the Trustees' subscription by erasing the present signature and the substitution of Mr. Ward's name, residence, and description.

[Town Collector.]

11th May, 1847. Mr. Ward having tendered his resignation of the office of Town Collector, resolved that Mr. Samuel Bailey be elected Town Collector in his place. That the thanks of this meeting be presented to Mr. Ward for his very valuable services during the past year.

[Resignation, John Rodgers.]

The resignation of Mr. Rodgers as a Trustee being read, resolved that the clerk acknowledge the receipt of his letter, and express to him the regret of this meeting at such resignation.

That a new Trustee in Mr. Rodgers' place be elected on Thursday, the 10th June next, at the Town hall, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.[1]

[Mr. Wilson Overend as Magistrate.]

That the memorial now read by the Collector in favour of Mr. Overend as a magistrate of the West Riding be adopted, and that it be signed by the Collector on behalf of the Trustees with the seal attached thereto, and that a copy be transmitted to Sir George Grey and another to Mr. Overend, and that the editors of the Sheffield newspapers be furnished with a copy of the memorial.

[S. Bailey Declines to be Collector.]

24th May, 1847. Mr. Bailey's letter refusing to accept the appointment of Town Collector was read.

[William Butcher Appointed Collector.]

28th July, 1847. In consequence of Mr. Ward's intended absence from Sheffield and his wishing another Trustee to be appointed Town Collector in his place, Mr. William Butcher was elected (by ballot) the Town Collector.

[Lancasterian Schools.]

Ordered that £10. 10s. be given by this Trust to the Boys' Lancasterian Schools, and the like sum to each of the Girls' and the Infant Lancasterian Schools.

[Mechanics' Hall.]

28th Oct., 1847. Resolved that the Collector be authorised to advance the remainder of the subscription, viz., £150 voted by the Trust towards the building of the Mechanics' hall.

[The Beadle's Shoes.]

3rd Feb., 1848. Resolved that the Beadle be allowed two pairs of shoes per year in addition to his salary. That his extra waistcoat, price 17s., be allowed.

[Fireproof Safe.]

That all the securities belonging to the Trust be deposited in a secure fireproof safe to be provided by Mr. Butcher, and kept at the Town hall.

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[1] Mr. Samuel Roberts was elected June 10th without a contest.

[Death of Mr. Staniforth—Henry Vickers Elected.]

In consequence of the death of Mr. Staniforth,[1] the late law clerk, Mr. Wheat, Mr. Vickers, Mr. T. W. Rodgers, Messrs. Brookfield and Gould, Mr. Dixon and Messrs. Wilson, Younge, and Pierson were candidates for the vacant office, and Mr. Henry Vickers was elected to that situation.

[With Mr. Vickers's accession to office a new minute book was commenced, and I leave it to some future enquirer to continue the story if such a course commends itself to those who succeed to the responsibilities of this Trust.

[1] Mr. John Staniforth died suddenly, aged 54, on the 19th Jan., 1848.

LIST OF THE TOWN TRUSTEES OF SHEFFIELD.

Name.	Date of Appointment.	Death or Resignation.
William Simpson, attorney	Appointed in decree of charitable uses, 6th Sept., 1681.	Dead before July, 1703.
Thomas Chappell, attorney		
Robert Soresby, gentleman		
George Lee, attorney ..		D. 1687.
Thomas Barlow, gentleman		
William Cooke, mercer ..		Bur. 11th May, 1694.
Thomas Rawson		Bur. 23rd May, 1728.
Thomas Bretland.. ..		
Joseph Shemeld		
Lyonel Revell		
Zachary Wilson		
Joshua Bayes, cutler ..		Dead Oct., 1703.
James Newton		
Thomas Diston		Bur. 1st Jan., 1702-3.
Thomas Marriott, merchant .	1686.	
John Webster	,,	Dead 12th July, 1703.
William Burley	,,	,, 1715.
Robert Nicholls	,,	
Joseph Butler, draper	,,	
Thomas Chappell, gentleman ..	4th May, 1690.	Dead Oct., 1703.
Christopher Broomhead.. ..	,,	
Field Sylvester	,,	D. 10th May, 1717.
Henry Smith	,,	
Richard Downes	,,	
Joseph Downes	,,	
William Jessop, Esq.	,,	Died 15th Nov., 1734.
Robert Soresbie	12th July, 1703.	Died 1754.
John Adamson	,,	
Samuel Scargill	,,	
Elias Wordsworth	29th Oct., 1703.	Died 20th July, 1723.
Joseph Banks, attorney	3rd Nov., 1703.	Died 27th Sept., 1727.
Thomas Parkin	Acting 15th July, 1704.	
John Fox	Acting 1707.	
Joseph Hawley	7th Oct., 1709.	D. 4th Nov., 1724.
William Taylor	20th Mar., 1713.	Dead 1st June, 1720.
Thomas Parkin, Sen.	,,	Died 16th Feb., 1729.
John Brown	,,	
Ezra Calton	,,	Dead 24th May, 1721.
Samuel Shore	,,	Died 4th April, 1751.
Christopher Stacy	,,	Resig. 1st June, 1720.
Joseph Hawley	,,	Dead 13th Feb., 1724.
Cornelius Dale	28th April, 1716.	Dead 20th Oct., 1729.
Samuel Staniforth	1st June, 1720.	Resig. 20th May, 1724.
Benjamin Pearson	24th May, 1721.	Dead 15th Feb., 1727.

Name.	Election.	Death or Resignation.
Thomas Eaton or Heaton ..	20th May, 1724.	Dead 13th Jan., 1734.
James or John Crawshaw ..	3rd Feb., 1724-5.	Dead 26th Sept., 1735.
John Smith	15th Feb., 1727.	Died 7th Dec., 1753.
George Steer	20th Oct., 1729.	Dead 4th Jan., 1738-9.
John Nodder	16th Feb., 1729-30	Dead 22nd Mar., 1732.
Thomas Young	22nd Mar., 1732.	Dead 26th May, 1737.
Thomas Allen	13th Jan., 1734-5.	Dead 28th April, 1739.
Benjamin Steer	26th May, 1737.	Dead 3rd Jan., 1746-7.
Joseph Steer	4th Jan., 1738-9.	Dead 27th July, 1744.
John Nodder	28th April, 1739.	Dead 10th Aug., 1772.
John Ellison	26th Sept., 1735.	Dead 8th Feb., 1741-2.
Gilbert Roberts	4th June, 1741.	Dead 17th Sept., 1763.
William Watson	8th Feb., 1741-2.	Resig. 16th Aug., 1784.
Leonard Webster	27th July, 1744.	Dead 29th Dec., 1773.
John Shirecliffe	3rd Jan., 1746-7.	Left town Feb.27, 1756.
John Roebuck	4th April, 1751.	Dead 2nd Oct., 1752.
Benjamin Roebuck	2nd Oct , 1752.	Dead 22nd June, 1801.
Joseph Broadbent	7th Dec., 1753.	Dead 26th Nov., 1761.
Matthew Lambert	27th Feb., 1756.	Dead 12th Oct.. 1770.
Joseph Roberts	26th Nov., 1761.	
Joseph Hancock	17th Sept., 1763.	D. 25th, Nov., 1791.
Joseph Ibberson	12th Oct., 1770.	D. Aug. 1775.
John Winter, silver plater ..	10th Aug., 1772.	D. 12th Feb., 1792.
John Turner	29th Dec., 1773.	Dead 20th Jan., 1796.
Joseph Matthewman	19th Nov., 1778.	,, ,, ,,
John Trevers Younge, merchant, Union Street	23rd July, 1778.	D. 19th Jan., 1807.
Thomas Broadbent	,, ,,	Resig. 22nd June, 1801.
John Shore	,, ,,	D. 18th Jan., 1832.
Thomas Gunning	,, ,,	Dead 16th Aug., 1784.
John Sutcliffe	,, ,,	,, ,,
Thomas Roberts	,, ,,	,, ,,
Benjamin Broomhead	16th Aug., 1784.	Dead 22nd June, 1801.
Vincent Eyre	,, ,,	D. 6th April, 1801.
Henry Tudor	,, ,,	Dead before 12th July, 1811.
Samuel Marshall	,, ,,	
John Greaves	,, ,,	D. 7th April, 1828.
Vincent Henry Eyre	22nd June, 1801	Resig. 30th Oct., 1846.
Robert Turner	,, ,,	D. 26th May, 1822.
John Rawson	,, ,,	D. 10th Feb. 1819.
Rowland Hodgson	,, ,,	D. 27th Jan., 1837.
Francis Fenton	,, ,,	D. 18th May, 1835.
Saml. Staniforth, wine merchant	,, ,,	Dead 18th Sept., 1822.
Samuel Staniforth, linen draper	,, ,,	Dead 5th May, 1828.
Peter Brownell	,, ,,	D. 15th Jan., 1828.
Joseph Firth, King Street ..	,, ,,	D. 8th Jan., 1803.
Benjamin Withers, Jun... ..	5th Dec , 1817.	D. 19th Jan., 1853.
Samuel Mitchell	,, ,,	Dead 5th May, 1828.
Thomas Asline Ward	,, ,,	Resig. 1863, d. 16th Nov., 1871.
William Battie	18th Sept., 1822.	Dead, 12th Mar., 1849.
William Fisher	,, ,,	D. 29th Nov., 1861.
Thomas Pearson	,, ,,	Resig. 11th Nov., 1846.
John Rodgers	5th May, 1828.	Resig. 11th May, 1847.

Name.	Election.	Death or Resignation.
Michael Ellison	5th May, 1828.	Resig. 28th July, 1847.
Samuel Bailey	,, ,,	D. 18th Jan., 1870.
Samuel Hadfield	,, ,,	D. 31st Dec., 1849.
Joseph Levick, Jun., merchant ..	5th May, 1837.	Resig. 20th Dec., 1849.
John Wilson Hawksworth, merchant	,, ,,	D. 2nd Oct., 1869.
William Vickers, merchant ..	,, ,,	Disq. 20th June, 1860.
Henry Wilkinson	30th Oct., 1846.	D. 14th Feb., 1873.
William Butcher	10th Dec., 1846.	D. 8th Nov., 1870.
Samuel Roberts, the younger ..	10th June, 1847.	D. 29th Nov., 1887.
Thomas Porter	28th July, 1847.	D. 16th April, 1856.
Thomas Wiley	12th Mar., 1849.	D. 14th Oct., 1851.
Thomas Rawson Barker.. ..	20th Dec., 1849.	Disq. 20th June, 1860.
Edward Smith	26th April, 1850.	D. 20th April, 1868.
Thomas Birks	2nd April, 1852.	Resig. 5th May, 1856.
John Carr	11th Mar., 1853.	D. 8th Dec., 1887.
Thomas Dunn	5th May, 1856.	D. 8th Jan., 1871.
Francis Hoole	15th Oct., 1856.	D. 2nd Nov., 1869.
Edward Vickers, [d. 10th March, 1897.]	20th June, 1860.	Resig. 28th Jan,, 1869.
Robert Leader, the younger ..	,, ,,	D. 31st Oct., 1885.
Thomas Jessop	18th Dec., 1862.	D. 30th Nov., 1887.
John Brown	6th April, 1864.	Disq. 1895.
Mark Firth	28th Jan., 1869.	D. 28th Nov., 1880.
William Fisher	,, ,,	D. 25th Mar., 1880.
James Willis Dixon	30th Dec., 1869.	D. 21st Jan., 1876.
John Webster	,, ,,	D. 28th June, 1878.
John Jobson Smith	25th April, 1870.	Resig. 8th April, 1876.
Thomas Moore	20th Mar., 1871.	D. 22nd Oct., 1880.
Frederick Thorpe Mappin, Bart.	,, ,,	
William Wake	4th Aug., 1873.	D. 14th April, 1896.
James Henry Barber	4th May, 1876.	
Henry Edmund Watson, Kt. ..	,, ,,	
William Smith	23rd Oct., 1878.	
William Henry Brittain	10th June, 1880.	
David Ward	3rd Feb., 1881.	D. 18th Nov., 1889.
Thomas Austin Sorby	,, ,,	D. 12th Aug., 1885.
Abram Brooksbank	16th Dec., 1885.	D. 21st April, 1890.
William Christopher Leng, Kt...	,, ,,	
Henry Stephenson, Kt.	1st Feb., 1888.	
William Fisher Favell	,, ,,	D. 3rd Oct., 1896.
Michael Hunter	,, ,,	
Joseph Burdekin Jackson ..	12th June, 1890.	D. 26th July, 1895.
John Daniel Leader	,, ,,	
Henry, Duke of Norfolk.. ..	11th Sept., 1895.	
Samuel Roberts	,, ,,	
Arthur Wightman	8th June, 1896.	
William Dyson, M.D.	10th Dec., 1896.	

ADDENDA.

Truelove's Gutter.

Truelove's gutter, referred to on page 239 and frequently elsewhere in these accounts, appears, from an old rate book of 1790, to be the street now called Waingate. There were 50 assessments in it at that date. The rate books are laid out in the order in which the collectors made their rounds. Coming up the left hand side of Water lane, the collector turned to the left along Castle street, then down Castle green to Dunhill, then up Castle green to the point where the Black Rock public house and the Court House now stand. Then comes Truelove's gutter, then Castlefold, and then the collector returns along the south side of Castle street. On this plan Truelove's gutter represents the street we now call Waingate.

The Town's Map of 1780.

The plan of the central portion of Sheffield, made up in this volume to face the title page, is founded on a survey made by William Fairbank in the year 1771. Mr. Flockton, the Surveyor to the Town Trustees and to the Twelve Capital Burgesses, has been good enough to indicate on the plan the plots of ground held respectively by those two bodies about the year 1780, as shown by the old surveys, in their possession. It should be borne in mind that the properties thus marked have been subject to modifications, by exchange and by sale under compulsory powers, so that the boundaries marked in the plan are not necessarily coincident with those at present existing. It will be noticed that many of the pieces are long narrow strips, as in the Crofts, Fargate, High street, Bull stake, and Waingate; others are small detached fragments, as the holdings of the Town Trustees in Westbar green, the Town head, Balm green, and the Isle. This configuration seems to me strongly to support the theory that these properties were strips in the common fields devoted by the original village community to public purposes. There were, of course, some bequests for pious uses before the Reformation, but in the main the properties are older than written title deeds.

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